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WHITEAWAY'S

Hitler May Precede Attack with Peace Offer

## BRITAIN READY FOR GERMAN BLITZKRIEG

READY FOR THE BLITZKRIEG



ALL OVER THE MOTHERLAND, little armies are in training for Hitler's off-threatened Blitzkrieg invasion. Col. W. M. Ticker, son of the famous T. G. (Plum and Apple) Ticker whose jams were known on every battlefield in the last war, has organised one such local army in the defence of Maldenhead, Berks. These men, trained by military instructors, are given time off from the work each day to enable them to undergo military drill.

"Golden Opportunity" Cabinet

### Konoye Seeks Complete Identity of Views

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, July 17 (UP).—Prince Konoye, in his first press statement since he became Premier-designate, said that in order to secure complete identity of views regarding the future course to be followed by the new Cabinet, the fundamental principles concerning Japan's foreign and defence policies will be thoroughly discussed among the Foreign, Army and Navy Ministers.

BURMA ROAD

### AGREEMENT OPERATING HIGHWAY TO BE CLOSED TO-DAY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
LONDON, July 17 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Anglo-Japanese agreement closing the Burma Road, has been signed at Tokyo.

It is authoritatively stated that the agreement between the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, and the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, provides that during the three months ending October 18, Japan will attempt to reach a general peace settlement with China.

British quarters reaffirm Britain's readiness to offer its good offices.

### "I Do Not Envy Hitler's Invaders"—"Reuter"

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" special correspondent who has toured the defences of Britain declares: "I do not envy Hitler's army if it ever does attempt to march through this land of nowhere, which is Britain to-day, especially if the weather is bad."

"Steps taken to defend every village, every town and every city in accordance with Mr. Churchill's assurance represent an impressive record of high speed endeavour. Sentries and look-outs stand on guard along the coasts ready for the

### RUSSIA WILL NOT ENTER THE WAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, July 17 (UP).—The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" says: "The decisive battle against England is now imminent."

The paper declared that Mr. Churchill's speech last Sunday was "England's decision for suicide."

BERLIN'S "EXPECTANT AIR"

LAUSANNE, July 17 (Reuter).—A strange, expectant air prevails in Berlin, according to a dispatch to the "Tribune de Lausanne" from their Berlin correspondent.

The correspondent records that neutral observers are surprised at the delay in the launching of the offensive against Britain which, it had been announced, would follow immediately on the conclusion of the armistice with France.

The dispatch adds that an expedition against Britain is not a military parade: as time passes, the difficulties of the enterprise appear to be greater than ever.

HITLER TO MAKE OFFER OF PEACE?

MADRID, July 17 (Reuter).—Dispatches from Spanish correspondents in Berlin coincide in the view that Hitler will make a peace offer at the week-end.

Rejection of the offer will probably be followed immediately by an attack against Britain.

Talk of a peace offer was apparently started by an article by Virginio Gayda in Rome but the idea has evidently been fostered in Germany, where the authorities "neither confirm nor deny" the rumours.

BRITISH PRECAUTIONS

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Regional Commissioner for the Eastern Civil Defence Region has issued directions dealing with traffic in the event of an invasion.

Chief Constables are empowered, at the request of the Corps or Divisional Commander, to exclude all traffic from specified roads.

Chief Constables are also empowered to require the immobilisation of vehicles within an area at short notice.

Blitzkrieg Prediction

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., July 17 (UP).—Mr. Harpo, Sibley, former President of the United States Chamber of Commerce, in a speech to military experts to-day expressed the belief that England could stand only thirty days of the German blitzkrieg.

He predicted that when a truce reached, it will be between a battered England and an exhausted Germany.

American Aid Urged

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY, July 17 (UP).—The United States showed and sent one thousand of its finest pilots to the British Isles "to turn the tide of war," declared

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### IRELAND'S SCHEME OF DEFENCE

Guarding Against  
Nazi Invasion

DUBLIN, July 17 (Reuter).—Eire's scheme for defence against an invasion was described to "Reuter's" special correspondent by a high officer of the Irish General Staff.

This officer said that they had an outer observation fringe on the lines of the old Coast Guards. From points commanding a wide view of the sea, a day and night watch is kept and communications have been installed so as to give immediate notice of any suspicious movements.

They also had a sea patrol of various small craft in wireless communication.

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LATEST

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Further Late News

### TWO ENGLISH KIDDIES DIED IN THIS BED



BELOW the policeman clambering through the window of an eastern England town is a wrecked bed. Half-an-hour earlier Nazi bombers had passed overhead. Bombs were dropped. Mollie, aged 10, and Len, aged 5, the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Len Palmer, were sleeping peacefully in the cot, clutching their dolls. They never heard the shattering crash of the bombs, because they were dead—victims of the arch-murderer in Berlin who once said that he would not make war on women and children. Mr. Palmer was taken to hospital with both legs broken.

### Unidentified Bombers Attack Gibraltar

LA LINEA, July 16 (UP).—Unidentified planes carried out two brief raids at 1.20 p.m. and 5.40 p.m. to-day.

All the bombs fell into the sea while anti-aircraft batteries from the land and warships fired fruitlessly. The planes disappeared in a southerly direction.



SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, July 17 (UP).—Authoritative circles to-day confirm that the Finnish Government has accepted the Russian demands to demilitarise the Aaland Islands.

Evacuation of the island's soldiers and war materials commenced early this month and is now nearing completion.

BUCHAREST, July 17 (UP).—A report from Galatz states that an explosion destroyed the electric power plant there. Five are known to be dead and many are injured.

### FIGHTING FOR KING & COUNTRY

What The Phrase  
Means To-Day

OTTAWA, July 17 (Reuter).—"When we say we are fighting for King and Country, that is not a mere empty phrase," the Earl of Athlone, the new Governor-General of Canada told members of the Canadian Club to-day.

"It means we are fighting to keep intact the keystone of the arch around which the nation's sense and continuous living force revolves—the very heart of our national existence," added the Earl of Athlone.

"Who will deny that such a cause is righteous?"

The King's Lead

Recalling his last few weeks in England, during which time he talked with His Majesty almost every day, the Earl of Athlone described how the King was carrying on his war duties, visiting the fighting forces, factories and shipyards, and keeping up the spirits of the men, besides continuing the strenuous affairs of the State.

"This personal interest and encouragement from the King himself cannot fail to bring home to the great army of brothers from every continent in the world, that from the King to the humblest workers, no effort and no fatigue is being spared."

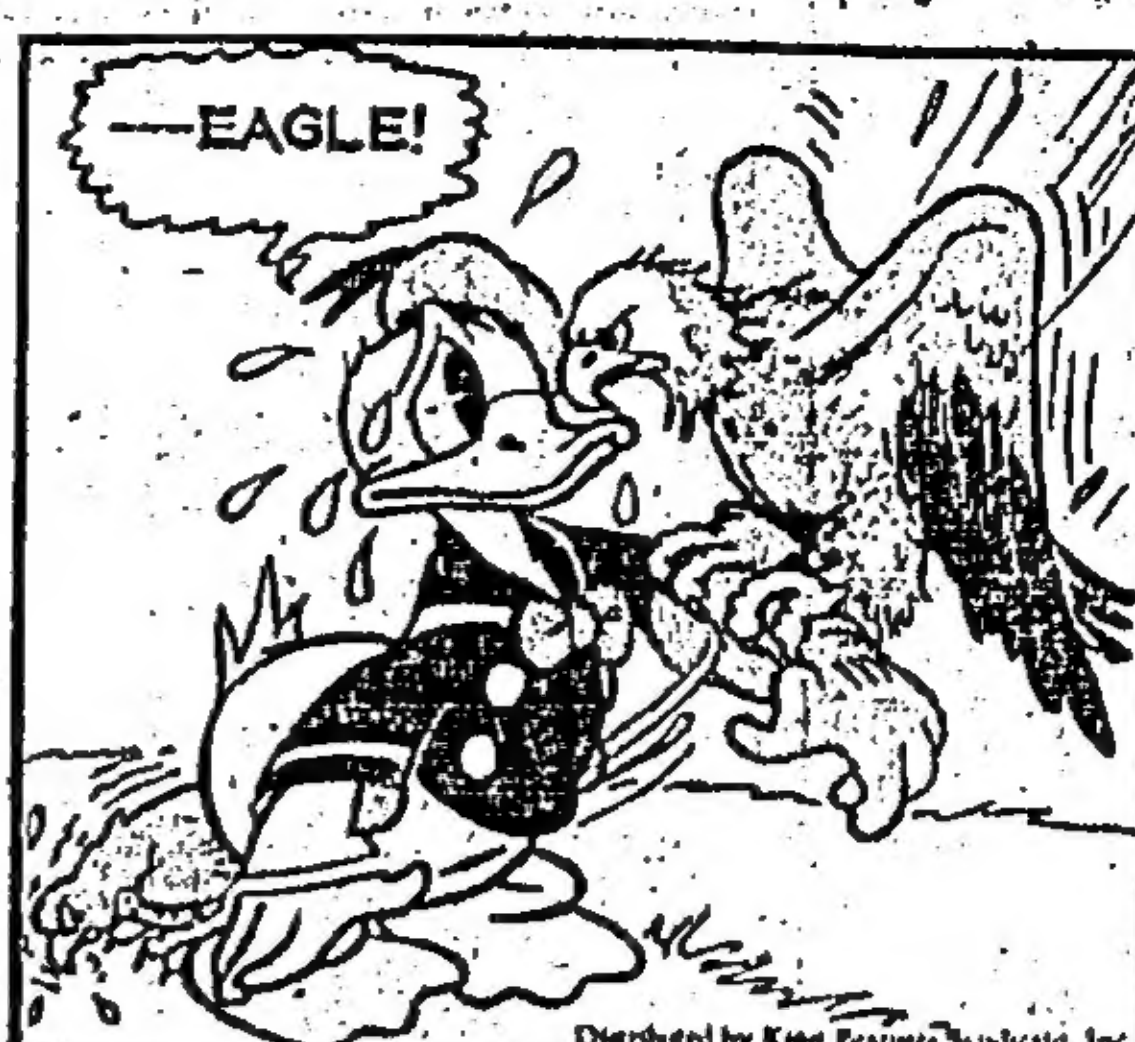
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## Looking Backward

Historians make us acquainted with stirring scenes and events of former times in which famous men played their parts. Imagination invests such episodes with an atmosphere like that which the dramatist contrives to surround the lifelike presentations of the stage. The present confers a romantic and dramatic quality upon the picturesque transactions of the past, and future generations will read with keen interest the story of the critical days through which we are now passing. The historians of a generation hence will be able to look at these events in a perspective that is denied to us at the moment, and estimate their significance with a better sense of proportion.

Some future Gibbon or Macaulay will comment upon the mental and moral aberrations for which the German people had long been noted. He will trace the steps by which they became the victims of domestic regimentation and later on the slavish tools of ambitious military leaders. He will tell how these adventurers proclaiming themselves the divinely appointed guides and rulers of the "peerless" German race, extinguished the spirit of liberty in that country. He will give a vivid account of the long series of outrages inflicted by Germany upon her neighbours, of the unavailing efforts of the Western Powers in the interest of peace and international justice, and of their decision to take up arms in defence of civilization. All this will be by way of preface or introduction to the historian's pen-picture describing the course of the great conflict.

The historical records to be written after the clash of arms has ceased and the smoke of battle has cleared away will narrate the events that led to the accession to power of Mr. Winston Churchill. The future historian will do full justice to the parts played by Mr. Attlee and the veteran Mr. Lloyd George, and will not fail to record the approval by their fellow countrymen of the dignity

# I ESCAPED FROM GERMANY

MY heart thumped as I lay in my sleeping-compartment on the Berlin-Rome express.

It was midnight. In a few minutes we should steam out of the Brenner station over the border into Italy.

In a few minutes I should be free.

My journey was being made openly. The Nazis believed that I was going to Italy to make a film there.

Only I and a few men who had helped me in Berlin knew that, once across the frontier, I would never return; that I was escaping to join in the fight against the oppressors of my Czech fatherland.

Still, the Gestapo has long ears—and sometimes it likes to play with its prey. Many last minute arrests are made on the frontiers.

I tried not to think of these as I lay and waited. The Customs Inspector and currency officials had passed my compartment without stopping. Doubtless they knew me as an actor well liked in Berlin. Better not annoy any friend of the leaders!

Voices outside began to shout that everything was ready for departure. Surely it was all right now?

Then I heard my name called in the corridor.

"Herr Stepanek! Where is Herr Stepanek?"

"In there," said the conductor. A knock at the door.

I took a grip on myself, hoped that my trembling hands would not be noticed, and opened the door the caller was a uniformed Nazi frontier guard.

"I am sorry to disturb you, but I have seen you in so many films. Would you please give me an autograph?"

We were well into Italy before my nerves were under control again.

Soon after the occupation of Czechoslovakia, the subject of my nationality began to interest officials in Berlin.

Dr. Proschke, one of Goebbels' aides, was apparently deputed to talk to me about it.

"You ought to take out a German passport," he told me one day at the Ufa studios. You speak the German language as if it were your own. You have made your name in German plays and films. You are popular with the German public. Think it over."

A few weeks later he repeated the suggestion, much more insistently. When I still did nothing Herr Hinkel, the Nazi Commissioner for Culture, tried his powers of persuasion upon me.

Somehow the talk was led around to concentration camps. I was told, casually, just how many Czechs had been imprisoned since the Occupation.

It was a dilemma from which I could extricate myself only by dangerous moves. It meant bribing Nazi officials—and, although bribery is rife in Berlin to-day, I could not be sure that the corrupt Nazis who took my money would not immediately betray me.

I do not want the men who helped me to be sent to a concentration camp. I finally contacted a high police official and, step by step, carefully tested his feelings.

Two days later, I received from him a German passport—and I still retained my Czech papers.

I found a Nazi doctor who confirmed that my health was bad. He

and manly frankness of Mr. Chamberlain, and the gravity and courage with which Mr. Churchill undertook his formidable task in a situation of peril, as said by Mr. Lloyd-George, without any parallel in our long history.

Karl Stepanek, one of Germany's most popular actors, recently escaped to Britain from Berlin and is telling the full story of wartime Germany. Stepanek is a Czech by birth, and lived in Germany for ten years. He was often a personal guest of Hitler's. To-day he tells the thrilling story of his journey to London.

When I presented all these credentials in order to get an exit-permit, I was politely told that there were plenty of spots inside Germany.

I could be allowed to leave Germany, I was told, only if I had a contract to make films in a neutral country.

Then the trip would be "in the interest of the State." The money I earned abroad could be used by the Reichsbank, which desperately needed foreign currency.

I went away and pulled more strings, finally obtaining an offer from an Italian film company to make a picture in Rome.

I said goodbye to my Berlin flat, looked wistfully at the handsome total in my bank-book, gave a last thought to my bungalow on Finken Lake in Carinthia. All these possessions, won by years of hard work, I had to leave behind for the Nazis to seize as soon as they learned the truth about me.

On the other hand, I had the satisfaction of knowing that my flight would cost the Nazi propaganda machine four million marks—the price of a bombing squadron. That was the cost of the film I completed just before leaving Berlin. It was the first German colour film. Now Dr. Goebbels will have to scrap it. He cannot have a "renegade" actor starring in his cinema.

Apart from my midnight scare at the frontier, my journey to Rome was uneventful. As soon as I found a quiet hotel, I dug my Czech passport from his hiding place in one of my trunks, and, armed with it, called at the British Embassy.

I discovered from German friends in Rome that the Gestapo kept a constant watch on the British and French Embassies, and on the offices of Allied firms. All callers were "investigated."

I was followed every day until I received my British visa after being touched for by good Czech friends in London. On my last evening, I returned to my hotel to find an Italian detective waiting for me. The detective questioned me thoroughly, alternately friendly and threatening; he wanted to know exactly what I was doing in Italy, and when I intended to return to Germany.

"I'm staying in Rome for some time," I lied. "See—I'll hand you my passport so that I cannot leave even if I want to."

I offered him the German passport I hoped I would never need again. He hesitated—but accepted it, promised to call at the station for it the next day.

Within an hour I had packed, checked out at the hotel, and caught a train northwards.

On the way I changed as unobtrusively as I could to a fast train for France. My Czech passport saw me safely over the frontier at Modane, and, more dead than alive by this time, I arrived finally at Calais.

But still one great adventure lay ahead of me. For many months Nazi propaganda had hammered into all Germans details of the terrifying dangers of the voyage to England. Who travels to England travels into death, they told us. The U-boats sink nearly every ship approaching Britain. Mines and bombs get the rest. Neutral seamen mutiny when asked to sail for Britain.

So I boarded the Channel boat at Calais with considerable trepidation. I was surprised at the number of my fellow-travellers, and at their non-hearing their conversation, I found that they were not all British, but men and women of half a dozen nationalities.

And, out in the Channel, I was again amazed to see that not a single warship was annoying us across the "sea of death."

TOMORROW:  
Air-raid fears in Berlin—Risking prison to hear the B.B.C. broadcasts—A friend in danger.



## Room for More

# The Yanks have a word for it

THE jargon of the American underworld is a mixture of slang, cant and argot used without any conscious adherence to grammatical rules, and is primarily a language of expedience characterised by terseness of phrase and simplicity of description. It is a strange accumulation of words borrowed from every social group in every geographical area of the English-speaking world.

Major contributors to the vocabulary are the tramp, the gunman, the hoodlum, and the bootlegger, although circus troupers, loggers, cattle men and railroad workers have supplied necessary and useful words.

It is almost impossible to locate the actual source of slang or cant after many weeks have elapsed, and the language is seldom written, and new words may be current in isolated groups long before they find wide acceptance and notice.

The place is bugged so Mickey and Deeno case the ins while Jerry ganders. The skipper's greased so the play is safe. The says trip a bus and the dinger blows so Jerry mops—no heat for him! The cops tried to swamp them and they're fogged on the breeze. It was curtains for Deeno. Mickey pulled through and drew a 1 to 20 rap.

Literally translated, this means: The place is equipped with a burglar alarm, so Mickey and Deeno study a method of entrance while Jerry remains on the look-out. The district police officer has been bribed, and the accomplishment of their task should not involve danger. The two clumsily set off an alarm, and when the bell rings Jerry leaves; no trouble with the police for him! The police tried to surround and arrest Mickey and Deeno, and shot them when they tried to escape. Deeno was killed, but Mickey re-determined sentence of from one to twenty years in prison.

THE THIRD DEGREE  
In such an example the language is relatively casual and intelligible. In the heat of action, words replace sentences and signs are cut and concise. A description of a stick-up or hold-up as related by a gunman is less easy to understand. "Hit and glom—rank and lam: half a C."

Intimidation and beating of a criminal in an effort to obtain a confession or information is well known to the American public as the third degree. To the criminal it is the kick, a jacking (from black-jack), a hosing (from soft rubber hose used to prevent bruising), Coney Island (from the queer methods of eliciting information), and the more obvious phrase, a police storm.

The criminal injects a note of humour into many of his cant words. A look-out, for instance, is a gander; anything or anyone sought after by the police is hot (hot-car, hot-money, &c.); a lawyer is a mouthpiece or lip; a reformatory is a school or

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## FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I told the chef what you said, sir!"



## Frightened By Nazis

Spain Sees Threat On Her Border

GIBRALTAR, July 17 (Reuter).—According to reliable information reaching here from Spain, there are signs everywhere that now that the Germans are at their very doors, the Spaniards are becoming thoroughly frightened.

It appears that when the Germans arrived at Hendaia, the Spanish authorities on the frontier received them with considerable ceremony and German soldiers off duty were allowed to wander more or less at will about north Spain, but a parade of a German motorized column, arranged to take place at San Sebastian, was suddenly cancelled without any reason given.

### Significant Move

Another significant fact was the replacement of General Yague, a rabid pro-German, by General Vigon, who is noted for his moderation, as Minister for Air.

It is believed that the Germans have about 40,000 men at the frontier. This does not represent a force strong enough for any violation of Spanish territory, but there are doubtless bigger forces behind them.

## Fine Words But—

VICHY, July 17 (Reuter).—The Foreign Minister, M. Paul Baudoin, in a statement to a Swiss newspaper on French policy, said that the national revolution had been freely made.

"We are not envying our conquerors and we aim at pleasing them. We shall adopt French solutions suited to our temperament and traditions. 'Soon, new relations will be instituted between capital and labour, and there will be new conceptions of life based on authority, order and obedience."

"Our foreign policy will be conducted along the lines of this regime. Different states have a need of each other. We must exchange goods with Germany and Italy as we shall with Britain when she has returned to a juster understanding of France."

## FREE STERLING TO BE CHECKED

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Treasury announces that an Order-in-Council and a number of Treasury orders are to come into operation on July 18, the effect of which will be very largely to limit sources from where free sterling issues and the use to which it may be put, so that trade and financial transactions between the sterling area and the larger part of the world will be conducted on a basis of the official rate of exchange.

These steps have been taken in pursuance of the existing policy of restricting the use of free sterling as an international means of exchange. "Reuters" lobby correspondent writes that as a result of the co-operation of the New York market, sterling will be quoted at the same rate in New York as in London.

## GANGSTERS AT WORK IN EUROPE

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Economic circles in London consider that Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, the German financial expert, is behind the "racket" whereby Germany is transferring her shortages to occupied territories.

Germany is paying the countries, but all the people get in exchange is a claim on the reichsmark balance in Berlin.

Thereby Germany's internal situation could be eased and money could only be used to buy goods from Germany. As there is a shortage in Germany, however, the money is worthless.

## Contraband Control's Busy Fortnight

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively learned that the British Contraband Control seized about 10,000 tons of goods suspected for enemy destinations in the period from July 7 to the 15th.

In addition, during the period from July 1 to 16, approximately 8,000 tons of goods were seized from Italian ships.

Altogether the British Contraband Control has seized 700,000 tons of contraband since the start of the war.

## BRITONS WORKING TOO LONG IN WAR FACTORIES

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in a speech in London to-day, deplored the serious loss to the nation during the war caused by continual neglect during the past years of skilled men and women.

He estimated that if sufficient skilled workers had been available, he could have placed another 250,000 women into work very quickly.

He added, however, that the Government intended to utilize the services of both men and women to the utmost extent.

### Overworking

Mr. Bevin said his appeal to the workers had had a remarkable

## Breach Of Neutrality

Swedish Behaviour Resented

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Further reference to the British Government's protest against the Swedish Government's decision to allow German troops and war material to cross Swedish territory was made at question time in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Geoffrey Mander asked whether the Swedish action was not in direct violation of the Hague Convention of 1907 and what action the British Government proposed to take.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said they had already indicated their view to the Swedish Government that this constituted a serious breach of neutrality.

An inaudible answer was given when the Under-Secretary was asked if the Government intended to press the matter.

## D.S.C. Hero Dies

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Lieut. Commr. Russel Gordon-Smith who a fortnight ago received the Distinguished Service Cross from the hands of the King, has died following an operation in a south coast hospital.

Lieut. Commr. Gordon-Smith was navigating officer in H.M.S. Hardy and was badly wounded while standing beside Captain Warburton-Lee, who was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross.

## U.S. PILOTS FOR R.A.F.

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is learned that American pilots will be welcomed as volunteers in the R.A.F. in the Dominions of Colonial Air Forces or the Fleet Air Arm.

There is every reason to believe that hundreds of experienced pilots will gladly join.

There is no question at present of raising purely American squadrons, but the gradual formation of American flights and eventually squadrons is a future possibility.

## MADRID AND CHILE

MADRID, July 17 (Reuter).—Explaining the breaking of diplomatic relations with Chile, an official note says that the Chilean Popular Front Government had not ceased to protect and aid the Reds who fled from Spain.

This attitude reached intolerable limits, culminating in a large public meeting on June 17 when speakers insulted Spain and General Franco, their speeches being broadcast by the official radio.

## STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES FALL

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Stock Exchange prices declined to-day owing to the imminence of the Budget, but losses were only small, as a selling pressure was anywhere visible.

Gift-edged holdings finished unchanged to one-eighth lower. Industrials were mixed and Japanese bonds were hesitant on the Far Eastern situation.

## SOMALILAND RAID

CAIRO, July 17 (Reuter).—A war communiqué issued this evening states that on July 15 a motor patrol of the Camel Corps raided an enemy post at Damerbogh (Somaliland).

After causing casualties and destroying 20,000 rounds of ammunition, the patrol withdrew without loss. There is nothing of importance to report on other fronts.

## QUIET DAY IN THE AIR

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that throughout yesterday Coastal Command aircraft carried out their usual reconnaissance over a wide area, from Scandinavia to the Bay of Biscay.

Owing to adverse weather conditions, our bomber forces did not operate last night.

## Hongkong's Unique Distinction

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. C. H. Hall, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, was asked whether there was any government-controlled school in Ceylon and elsewhere in the Colonies authorized to give degrees of university standing.

Mr. Hall replied: "Degrees are conferred by the Universities of Malta and Hongkong, both of which receive financial assistance from the Government. 'No other State-aided institution in the Colonial Empire is competent to confer a University degree.'"

## GERMANY'S FUTILE BLOCKADE

PRETORIA, July 17 (Reuter).—The great and smooth flow of shipping round the coast of South Africa was proof that the allegation of Nazi propagandists that Germany was hampering the Empire's trade was a delusion, declared Mr. Sturrock, Minister of Railways and Harbours, in a statement to "Reuters."

"So far as we can see from this end, Germany's commonwealth is nothing but a futile and pitiful lie intended to bolster German morale."

Mr. Sturrock quoted South African trade figures showing that the tonnage handled in South African ports had increased under every head as a "striking result of the closing of the Mediterranean to shipping."

## IRELAND'S DEFENCE

communication with the shore and with their fast motor torpedo boats.

Thirdly, they had an air patrol which kept a constant watch.

Mobile Army

Eire's army was highly mobile. All infantry was mechanized and in case of danger, the army could be rushed immediately to any threatened points.

The army was having a wonderful response to its appeal for recruits, who came from all classes and were the best types they ever had.

The appeal for local defence volunteers resulted in the enrolment of 120,000.

Every Man A Volunteer

"Reuters" special correspondent saw in many districts how keen is the enthusiasm of local defence. Almost every man was a volunteer. Some villages and roads are constantly patrolled to guard against parachutists.

The volunteers are being trained and part of them will form a kind of Landstrum to guard communications and vulnerable points if the army itself is engaged.

Railway sleepers can be seen standing at one end in Phoenix Park in order to hamper aircraft landings and similar precautions have been taken at other aerodromes.

A German attack on Ireland would meet with great difficulties owing to the mountainous nature of the country.

The I.R.A. are now a negligible force and sympathy for Germany was never less.

Bogs and small fields in central Ireland make air landings risky. Ireland's greatest defence asset, however, is the warlike temperament of her people.

The Irish Army is confident in its troops and its General Staff.

## AGREEMENT OPERATING

provided Tokyo and Chungking desired that arrangement.

Chinese circles compare the British action to the position which would arise if the United States prevented war materials reaching Britain and then offered to promote Anglo-German peace talks.

British commentators declare the comparison as being irrelevant because the United States is not engaged in a life and death struggle in the west.

## MARTINIQUE SETTLEMENT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" PORT DE FRANCE, July 17 (UP).—Well-informed quarters here confirm that efforts are being made to settle the Martinique question peacefully.

There are no details of the negotiations available here as they are being conducted in Washington.

## Neon Light Fuses

There was some excitement at the Hongkong Star Ferry wharf at 10 a.m. to-day when a neon light fused and set some woodwork on fire.

A wharf attendant used a fire extinguisher and put out the flames.

## Roosevelt's Popularity

Nomination Appears Inevitable

CHICAGO, July 17 (Reuter).—A "Draft Roosevelt" sentiment swept through the Democratic Convention to-day with a fierceness which threatened to smother any opposition to a third term and to leave unanswered the question of how Mr. Roosevelt will be nominated.

As a candidate as if President Roosevelt himself had said he would accept, Mr. Harry Hopkins, Secretary of Commerce, and other third term advocates are mapping out their strategy for making President Roosevelt the 1940 choice.

### Leaders Confident

New Deal leaders are confidently predicting that President Roosevelt will accept, and some are even hinting that he will address the Convention by telephone from the White House.

It has been decided to hold the nominations to-night instead of tomorrow as originally arranged.

## BRITAIN READY FOR BLITZKRIEG

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Colonel Henry Breckenridge, former Assistant Secretary for War, in a speech here to-day.

"We would rather fight Hitler in the air over Berlin than over New York," he said.

### Russia To Stay Neutral

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, July 17 (UP).—It is reliably stated that M. Stalin, in his conversations with Ambassador Sir Stafford Cripps, emphasised the Soviet's determination to remain neutral.

It is reported that M. Stalin said that German domination of Europe presented no problem for Russia and he refused to believe that such domination menaced the Soviets.

### Air Minister Confident

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Air Minister, Sir Archibald Sinclair, in an Empire broadcast, said that any great onslaught on Britain by air, land or sea will fail.

The sooner we pass from the defensive to the offensive the sooner will the war be won.

He added that since the beginning of this month, a total of 105 enemy aircraft had been brought down while Britain lost 24 in defence against them.

There had scarcely been one hour in a single day that we had not carried the war into the enemy's territory and we had reason to believe that the material damage to the German war industry and communications were very heavy.

### Enemy's Preponderance

The enemy still has a preponderance of air power, presenting a threat which, although we regard it without dismay, remains a serious one. It is certain that we shall have to withstand an attack from the air on a scale many times greater than that already launched.

Hitherto the enemy was only able to inflict negligible damage. We had not been content with slowing off the enemy attacks. The R.A.F. had put into effect the plans worked out with utmost thoroughness for the systematic destruction of military objectives vital to the enemy's war effort.

We are hitting Germany hard and are going on hitting," said the Air Minister.

## Vast Enemy Coastline

Referring to the vast enemy coastline, Sir Archibald said that Germany may start an invasion of Britain not only from German bases but from Norway. Or he may come out of the Dutch canals and harbours of Belgium or northwards from the coast of France.

All these places of assembly have been watched in addition to the never-ceasing sea patrols.

Sir Archibald paid high tribute to the work of Canadian, Australian and New Zealand air forces in the invaluable nature of the provision of training space in the Dominions for building up an air force greater in numbers than the German force.

## STALIN RECEIVES STAFFORD CRIPPS

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is reported that Sir Stafford Cripps, the British Ambassador to Moscow, was received by M. Stalin at the Kremlin on July 1, when a friendly conversation dealing with questions of mutual and general interest ensued, says "Reuters" diplomatic correspondent.

## Liquidating Agents

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"Reuters" diplomatic correspondent learns that M. Paul Morand, Minister Plenipotentiary, has been appointed agent for the liquidation of French economic and commercial affairs in Britain.

The British Government will similarly appoint an agent to the French Government.

## Auxiliary Vessel Lost Off Norway

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, July 17 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that the naval auxiliary vessel Van Dyck was sunk during an aircraft attack off the Norwegian coast on June 10.

Two officers and five ratings were killed and 29 officers and 132 ratings were taken prisoner.

## LANDLORDS AND EVACUATION

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of the Chatham Road and Cox's Road children's playgrounds.

The Director of Medical Services has written to the association asking them to appoint a representative to discuss with him the procedure for patients seeking treatment at Kowloon Hospital. Mr. C. E. Terry was appointed.

### Telephone Charges

In a letter on May 30 1939, the Colonial Secretary promised that the question of telephone charges in the Kowloon-Tong area would be included in the discussions with the Telephone Company regarding the revision of the Company's franchise. As this revision had already been granted, it was decided to ask the Colonial Secretary what had been arranged.

Those present at the meeting were: Mr. Lam Ming Fan, President; Mr. F. C. Mow Fung, Hon. Secretary; Mr. R. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer; Dr. S. G. Kirkby-Gomes, Messrs. D. W. Munton, L. N. Murray, R. Pestonji, R. A. da Silva, D. O. Silver, and B. Wylie.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. C. V. T. Marshall, Hon. Mr. L. D'Almeida, Castro, Roy, J. R. Higgs, Major C. M. Manners, Lieut. Col. E. D. Matthews, Miss R. Mow Fung, and Mr. C. E. Terry.

The resignation from the Committee of Miss H. D. Sawyer, who vacated from the Colony on the 5th, was received with regret.

The financial statement submitted by the Hon. Treasurer showed that the funds of the Association had been considerably depleted during the past month, the payments including a donation of \$1,000 to the "S. C. M. Post Ltd.—War Fund." He reported the enrolment of one new member.

## "I DO NOT ENVY INVADERS"

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face to face with regiments of an army ordered to fight to the last man.

"Anything that Hitler lands will meet with a hot reception. They will have to cut through a thick curtain of heavy and light gunfire. The system of pillboxes and other strong points has turned the whole coastline into a modernised version of the Martello Tower defence which met the threat of invasion from Napoleon.

"Behind are the grim lines of the khaki beach defences. Strategically placed, they are ready to deal with light tanks.

"The navy is fully prepared and eager for the fray, and the R.A.F. await the outcome with tremendous optimism, though all of the R.A.F. have no illusions about the bigger number of aircraft they may be called upon to meet.

"The R.A.F. have supreme confidence in themselves and in their superior aircraft. There is a growing belief that the Germans are beginning to feel the strain of sustained loss of pilots.

"The pilot of one German bomber recently brought down was only aged 17, with a total of 50 hours flying to his credit."

## KONOYE SEEKS IDENTITY VIEWS

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didates for their successors in order to bring about 'full co-operation between the Government and the military'.

He said he would strive to establish a full Cabinet instead of a small select group and denied that he would handle the foreign affairs portfolio although he was unable to name the Foreign Minister at present.

## FIGHTING FOR KING, COUNTRY

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to bring final success, which has the support of almost every man and woman in all quarters of the globe, if all would dare to confess it."

The Earl of Athlone added that no one realised more than His Majesty the seriousness of the situation and the necessity for unity to carry through this "righteous fight against Nazi despotism and to exterminate it once and for all time."

## Dardanelles: No Soviet Proposals

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"As far as Lord Halifax is aware, no proposals have been made by the Soviet Union to the Turkish Government regarding control of the Dardanelles," declares Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a written answer to a Parliamentary question.

## High Blood Pressure Kills Men & Women

Twice as many women as men suffer from high blood pressure, which is a serious disease. It starts about the time of change of life and in the real cause of many deaths. It is a real danger to health. Common symptoms of high blood pressure are: a sense of head and above all, pressure in head, dizziness, shortness of breath, palpitations, etc. It is a very common disease and every one of us should know about it. It is a very common disease and every one of us should know about it. It is a very common disease and every one of us should know about it.

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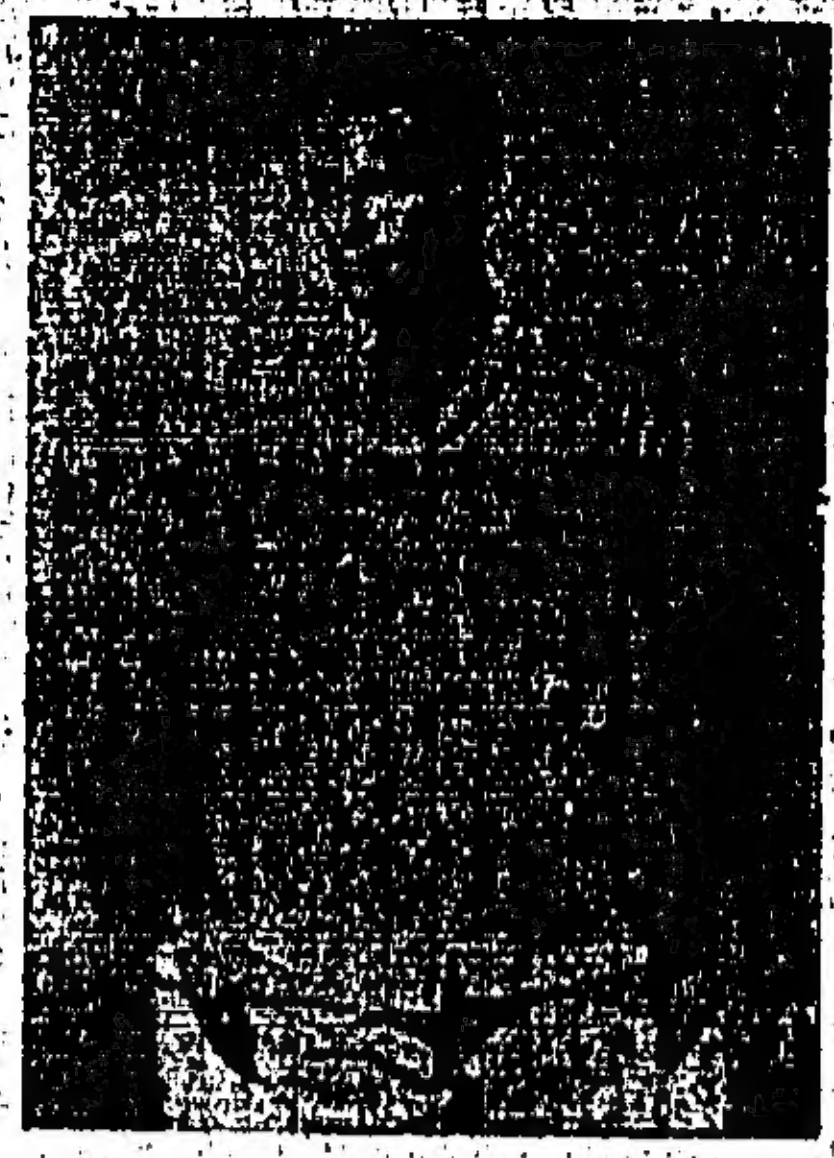
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# CHING WING UNION LACK LONG DISTANCE SWIMMERS

## Six More Open Pairs Results

### Alves and Ribeiro Enter Third Round

Four more matches in the Second Round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship were decided yesterday, the three matches at Happy Valley providing very close finishes.

H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, holders, won through to the Third Round at the expense of J. S. Riddell and J. C. Aitken whom they beat 26-21 after a ding-dong struggle. The Portuguese pair were very solid throughout and unruffled when being led 16-10 on the 17th end. The host head, a short one, proved disastrous for the Police pair, who were seven shots down, Alves laying his first three woods close to the jack while Ribeiro completed the great work. They never looked back from this stage.

Landolt and Basa, Craigengower veterans, were fully extended all the way by Jackie Noronha and C. G. Silva, but won 10-17. Noronha and Silva drew level at the 19th end with the scores at 16-10, but a three on the 20th head gave the Craigengower pair a jumping off place and they won after conceding a single shot on the last head. Silva was at the top of his form and drew beautifully onto the jack, although in the closing stages he narrowly missed on several occasions when a drive was called for.

On the Police green J. Gallatley and L. A. Collyer, of Civil Service, beat E. A. Atkins and H. White, of Bowling Green, 19-17. There was never much in the match and the lead changed hands several times.

Two matches were decided on the Kowloon Football Club green where A. K. Sufiad and M. R. Abbas, of Indian R.C., beat R. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom 23-16, and F. Jones and A. W. Grimshaw, of Civil Service, beat A. E. H. Castro and V. Alenza, of Kowloon Town, 19-17.

Sufiad and Abbas led for most of the match although a two on the 10th end gave Williamson and Thom the lead for the first time at 15-13. The Indian R.C. pair, however, emerged comfortable winners, scoring 4, 1, 1, 2, 2, on the next five heads.

A. Steven and S. Eccleshall caused an upset when they beat J. C. Gill and Adam Holland 28-21 on the Tal-koo green yesterday.

## Bowls Teams For Saturday

### CLUB DE RECREIO

"A" v. Kowloon D.C.C. (home) — L. J. Silva, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves, F. V. V. Ribeiro, C. M. Silva, F. V. Ribeiro and F. X. Silva.  
"B" v. Kowloon D.C.C. (home) — D. C. Alves, E. Marques, J. F. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva.  
"C" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.  
"D" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.  
"E" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.  
"F" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.  
"G" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.  
"H" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.  
"I" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.  
"J" v. Craigengower (home) — A. P. Machado, G. H. Dasto, A. P. Guterres and F. Basa.



Ching Wing Swimming Gallery

Mr. Law Yuk-wing (coach), and the Misses Chan Woon-khing (freestyle champion) and Chan Yuk-khing (breast-stroke champion).



## Greater Confidence Placed In Their Sprinters

IT CAME as a great surprise when enquiries revealed that the Ching Wing Union have no particular swimmers to represent them in the middle and long distances. They have several youngsters in the course of being trained, and show great promise so much so that Mr. Law Yuk-wing, coach, thinks they will shortly make a name for the Union.

Take the excellent example of 13-year-old Ching Man-huen, who swam the 440 yards in last Saturday's gala at the European Y.M.C.A. pool. Had May tried, he could have assuredly beaten young Ching by a much greater margin, but that does not minimise the splendid effort of Ching, who swam this race for the first time. He wishes to be a sprinter, and seldom has he swum over 200 yards, the distance prescribed by Law for the sprinters.

Chan Kwok-kwan, another youngster, also has not swum this distance before. Beyond his daily 200 yards to give him stamina for the sprints, he has never swum in practice, least of all in a race, longer distances. He is also to be commended on a splendid performance.

At variance to its sister union, the Lai Tsun Union, Ching Wing is noted for male sprinters and female distance swimmers. Perhaps the most famous of them are the Chan sisters, the Misses Chan Woon-khing and Chan Yuk-khing, and Miss Ip Choi-man.

### WOMEN CHAMPIONS

WOON-KHING is more versatile, though less famous than her sister. She swims both short and long distances, and has won the 50 and 400 metres freestyle titles at the 1936 Kwangtung Provincial meet held in Canton. Yuk-khing, essentially a breaststroker, was a national champion at the age of 15 years. She "copied" the 200 metres breast-stroke title at the 6th National meet held in Shanghai in 1935.

These two well-known girl swimmers have placed themselves under the coaching of Law, and, although they have been out of active competition for some time, are fast picking up lost threads, and promise to surpass their former brilliant performances.

### BUDDING CHAMPIONS

DEMURE Miss Ip Choi-man is far from being demure where swimming is concerned. She revels in water, fresh or salt, but she is awfully serious when it comes to training. She does her daily dozen with the boys, and often beats most of them.

Miss Lee Chik-wah is another budding star who assimilates everything Law tells her, and on whom the Ching Wing Union is pinning their hopes this year. She has a fast, slapping arm action, and nice synchronising leg bent, which take her the distance at a fast pace. She has not attempted the middle distances as yet; Law wants her to join his small force of lily sprinters.

Fung Kwai-sang, a fast-rising youngster, was initiated into competitive swimming at the European "Y" gala on Saturday, and came second to his "master", Law Yuk-wing, in the 50 yards freestyle sprint. He possesses a fine, clean, long-armed stroke, but has not sufficient

## Manila's Sports Offer To H.K. Children

The following is an extract from the "Manila Bulletin":

"The Perez Field adjoining San Marcelino and Isaac Peral has been thrown open to Hongkong visitors and their children by the Nomad Sports Club.

"Football, volley balls, basket balls, cricket balls, baseballs (hard and soft), raggers balls, tennis balls and hockey balls have already been donated, but more are still required together with the appropriate bats, sticks, racquets and equipment, so that all the children, including those in Manila, Fort McKinley and Baguio may have every opportunity for exercise.

"If the clerk of the weather does not relent, water polo balls may also be acceptable. Readers are asked to send any sports equipment they can spare to the Manila Club to enable the Nomad Sports Club to collect it and arrange for its distribution."

strength, as yet, to benefit fully by the long-arm pull. He is not satisfied with the 50 yards only, but would like to try the 100 and maybe the 220 yards as well.

A YOUNGSTER who has attracted very little notice so far, but who will spring probably the greatest surprise this season is G. Saunders, who swam a splendid race for the "Y" in the 200 yards relay.

His first lap was terrific, and he was fully expected to overtake Ching Wing's second man on the home stretch. But, on reaching the end of the first lap, he pulled himself up, turned round, and glanced rapidly over the entire field before pushing off, losing, thereby, at least two seconds. Taken in hand, and taught the tricks of starting, the art of the sprint dive and push off, Saunders should prove the season's sensational "find".

## Lawn Bowls Lottery In Aid Of B.W.O.F.

### Draw Every Friday

IN RESPONSE to suggestions that Colony sports Clubs could help British War Funds, the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association has instituted a lottery based on the results of the League matches each week in aid of the B.W.O.F. The draw for the first of these sweeps will take place to-morrow, and subsequent draws will be made each Friday.

In principle, the sweep is based on that of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

There are fourteen matches each week, and prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third biggest marginal defeats. The sweep is confined to members of Club affiliated to the Lawn Bowls Association, and to each of these Clubs a certain number of tickets is allotted each week. These numbers, of course, depend upon the demands of the respective Clubs, but in each case they must be underwritten by the Clubs.

1-250, for instance, may go to the Kowloon Cricket Club. The tickets are \$1 each, and in this case the K.C.C. would have to underwrite for \$250. Members may only take up 230 of the numbers, in which case the Club would bear responsibility for the remaining 20. What happens to them is a matter for adjustment within that Club. Should the Club

"carry" the balance, and one of those numbers strike a prize, the prize would naturally go to the Club funds.

FOURTEEN "STARTERS" The fourteen matches would, as it were, be considered "starters", and fourteen numbers would draw them. Whichever of these numbers has the match that shows the prize.

There will be nothing for drawers of "starters". One condition laid down is that at least four matches in the whole League must be played, otherwise the sweep funds would be carried over to the next week.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor has been appointed Hon. Treasurer of the Sweep.

The possibilities of a sweep of this sort are unlimited when one considers what would be the following when applied to football during the winter. It should be well patronised by Lawn Bowls Clubs.

Twenty-five per cent of the whole takings will be devoted towards the War Fund.

## Water Polo Victory For Chung Sing

(By "Ripple")

Chung Sing Bathing Club's water polo team had their pound of flesh, and more, when they trounced Eastern by five goals to one, after being on level terms at the end of the first half, in a return match at Kennedy Town yesterday evening.

Eastern was the faster team, but were overshadowed in positioning, for which Chung Sing excelled.

Eastern attacked within the first few minutes, but Che Cho-kwan was unsuccessful. The ball was quickly transferred to the Eastern area by Ng Nin, who outswam Shek Korn-pui to beat Woo Cho-kin with a clever shot bouncing the ball twice before scoring.

Within a few seconds of their scoring Shui Hung-yul received a nice pass from Tommy Kow to equalise with a lovely backhand shot taken from several yards out. Both goals went through several close shaves without, however, affecting the score.

In the second half Eastern appeared to go all to pieces, Ng Nin and Chan Shek-pui having practically cleared swims to the goalmouth, which was bombarded incessantly. Cheung Chik-heung gave Chan several nice passes, three of which he made no mistake in converting from close in, while the final goal came from Ng Nin.

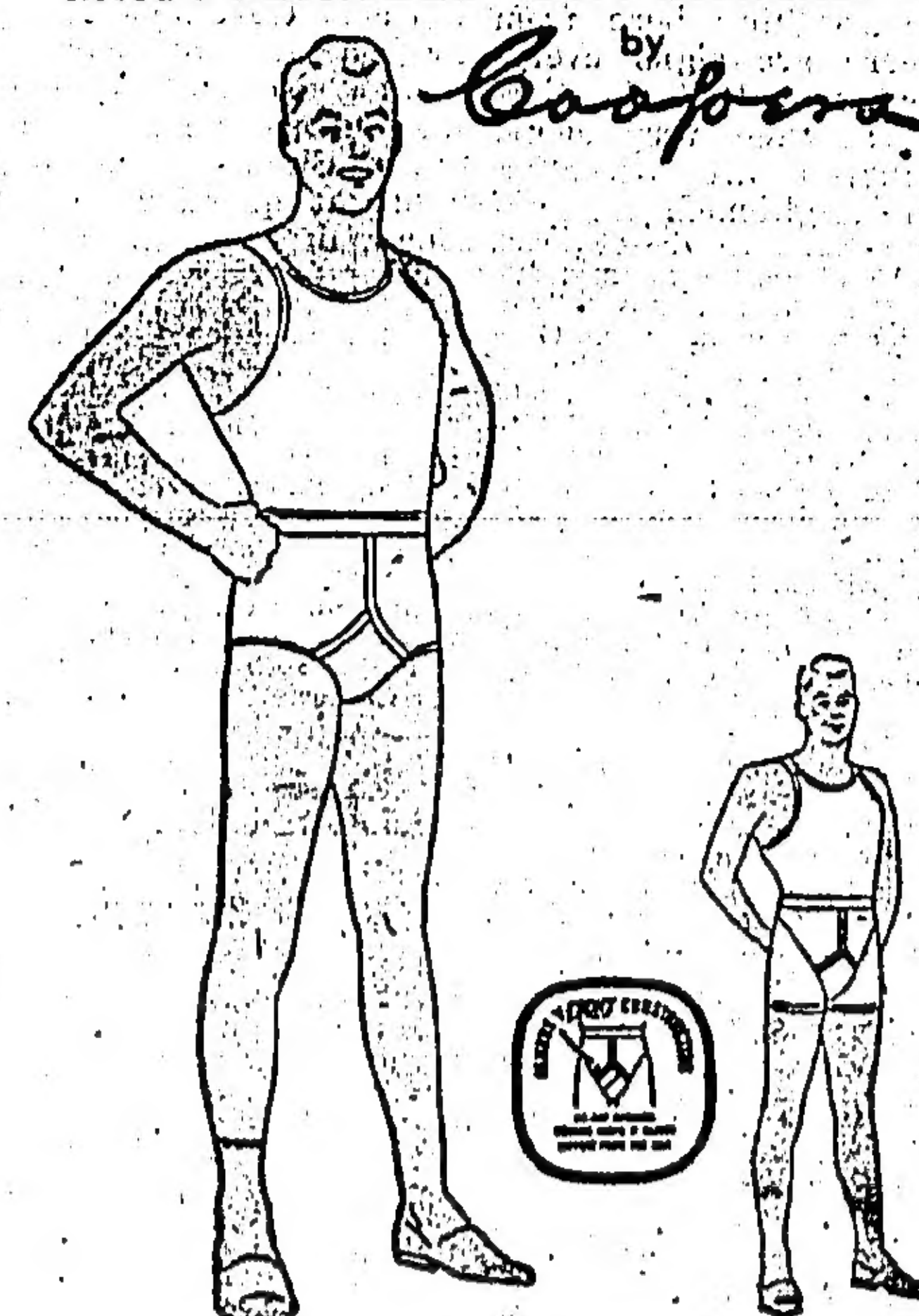


Time And Tide

Hmm come The Twins at last, unpunctual and charming as ever. Too late to offer them tea, of course, with the hands of the cabin chronometer standing at an uncompromising six-fifteen. And so the visit will develop once again into an informal cocktail party — a The Twins have quite possibly foreseen. Luckily there is still a shot or two of gin in the cabin locker, and a tall bottle of Rose's Lime Juice in a

cunningly constructed rack. The Twins are quite firm about this gin and lime. They know it helps to keep those slender graceful figure lines which appeal to yachtsmen like some shapely beauty from the yard of a master-builder. The yachting world bestows no higher praise. And never by any chance can there be the faintest trace of a headache after Rose's, an important point for young ladies as popular as these unpunctual Twins.

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By Ernie Bushmiller



## Men From 24 Ships Decorated

### Skipper Threw Burning Bomb into Sea: Then Trawler Resumed Fishing

SKIPPER JAMES SADLER, of the Grimsby trawler Lavinia, stood on the bridge with the mate, manoeuvring his unarmed vessel while a Nazi plane roared low overhead, trying to bomb them out of the water; the trawler's crew had been ordered below.

Two of five bombs hit the ship. One lay burning fiercely in the scuppers—until the skipper seized it and threw it overboard.

Then the Lavinia continued fishing for another week.

This story is but one of many told in a supplementary "London Gazette" announcing awards to the crews of 24 merchant navy and fishing vessels.

Skipper Sadler becomes an additional member of the Civil Division O.B.E.; his mate, Austin Melhuish, is commended.

The Lavinia survived another attack by Nazi bombers on a recent Sunday. "I'm getting used to this sort of thing," said Skipper Sadler to the News Chronicle.

#### Skipper Dying, Mate Killed, He Carried On

How another unarmed Grimsby trawler, the Rigoletto, was attacked five times by an enemy aircraft flying very low is described in the "London Gazette."

Incendiary bombs started fires and a small bomb went through into the engine room.

The skipper sent the crew below but stayed in the wheel house until it was machine-gunned and he was fatally wounded. The mate had previously been killed by machine-gun fire when trying to get the hose working.

The third hand took charge. The fires were put out and seeing a bomb lying on the deck, he threw it overboard. Then he brought the trawler and survivors safely home.

Third Hand Thomas McArthur, trawler Rigoletto (George F. Sleight, Grimsby), is awarded

the medal of the Civil Division O.B.E.

#### Deckhand Would Not Leave Skipper

Three enemy planes attacked the London steamer Bancrest which was unarmed.

Ordering the crew below, Captain Tuckett steered a zig-zag course. Thirty bombs were dropped, three hitting the ship. The whole of the after deck was blown up and the ship caught fire. The radio officer stayed at his post, sending out the S O S until the captain told him to go.

Captain Tuckett gave the signal to abandon ship and as the men were leaving they were machine-gunned but none was hit.

Deckhand Philip Gardner would not leave his skipper and, he and Captain Tuckett put out the fire with the hose.

Captain Russell Tuckett is now made an additional officer of the Civil Division O.B.E.

Deckhand Philip Gardner is awarded the Medal of the Civil Division for meritorious service, and other members of the crew, including the radio officer, are commended.

#### Sounded S O S

#### On Ship's Siren

The Liverpool motor-vessel Munster struck a mine when she had 190 passengers on board, and began to list.

The master was knocked out and the chief officer took command. After all the boats were got away full of passengers he and the purser



Friends of President Getulio Vargas, above, of Brazil explained his Navy Day speech was merely for home consumption, when he asserted "old systems and antiquated formulas have entered into decline." Some U.S. observers see much Fascist sentiment in South America.

made sure no one was left. The chief officer then let the anchor go and burnt flares on the upper deck. The wireless was damaged and he sent out an S O S on the siren.

His coolness and seamanship—he was the last to leave the ship—ensured that the wounded master, passengers and crew were brought to safety.

Chief Officer Tom Fielden Wrigley is to be an additional officer of the Civil Division O.B.E.

You remember the story of how Radio Officer Philip Windsor, of the torpedoed London steamer Sultan Star, stayed at his post sending out S O S messages though the ship was standing on end with water pouring into the funnel?

Radio Officer Windsor is another to become an additional member of the Civil Division O.B.E.

#### FIRST AID PASSES

The St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade announces that the following candidates passed the First Aid examination held at the South China Morning Post Board Room on Monday, July 8:

Miss Dorothy Lo, Messrs. Charles Wright, Arthur Vernon, Edward Cartner Hodgson, Joseph Newman, Sidney Alfred Thorne, and Alexander Stevenson.

Certificates should be obtainable in about two weeks' time.

#### PRECAUTION AFTER BABY ARRIVES

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## Crossword Puzzle

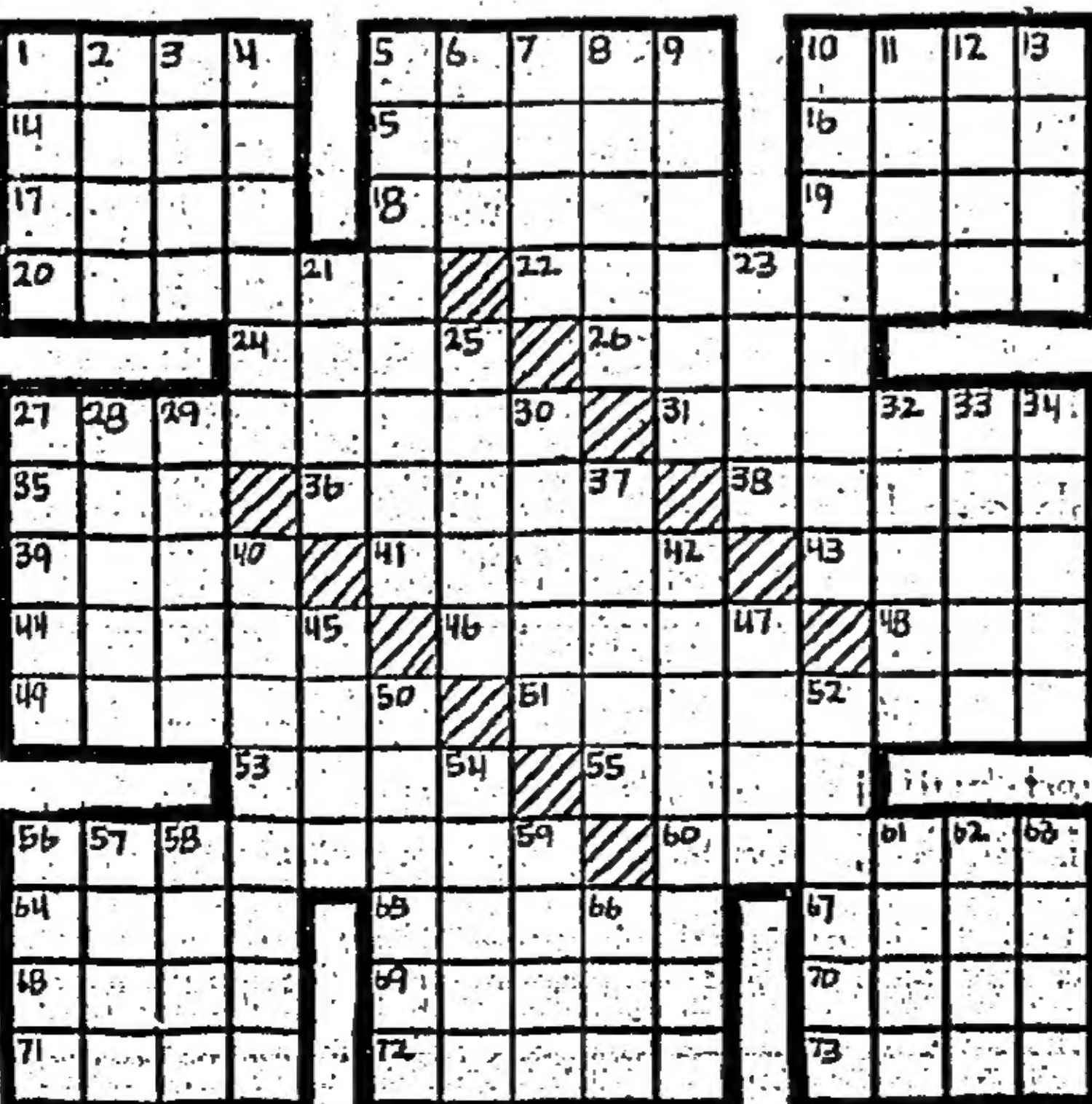
By LAIS MORRIS

### ACROSS

- 1-Tropical tree
- 2-Drugged (col.)
- 3-Horseman's road
- 4-Substitute for butter
- 5-Deeds of the Forts
- 6-Wood plant
- 7-Unfledged
- 8-Religious attendance
- 9-Araxes river
- 10-Narrow pass
- 11-Verbal things
- 12-Man's garment
- 13-Action stable
- 14-Agreed
- 15-Smooth surface
- 16-Paid
- 17-Brazilian city (col.)
- 18-Coarse cloth
- 19-Serious
- 20-True
- 21-Olive
- 22-Heron
- 23-Knock again
- 24-American humorist
- 25-Examiner
- 26-Tail
- 27-Allowance for waste
- 28-Trying quarrel
- 29-Waited upon
- 30-Fishing
- 31-Illness past
- 32-Mistake
- 33-Imperial song
- 34-Female horse
- 35-Just forth
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### DOWN

- 1-Royal body of water
- 2-To shelter side
- 3-Part of plant
- 4-Causing motion
- 5-Removed garments
- 6-Geometrical combining form
- 7-Messenger boy
- 8-Prepares for publication
- 9-Flag
- 10-Italian city
- 11-Brazilian mountain
- 12-Sea in Antarctica
- 13-Light use of
- 14-Step of ladder
- 15-Religious
- 16-Male voice
- 17-Religiosity
- 18-Prize high
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- 23-Japanese statesman (poet)
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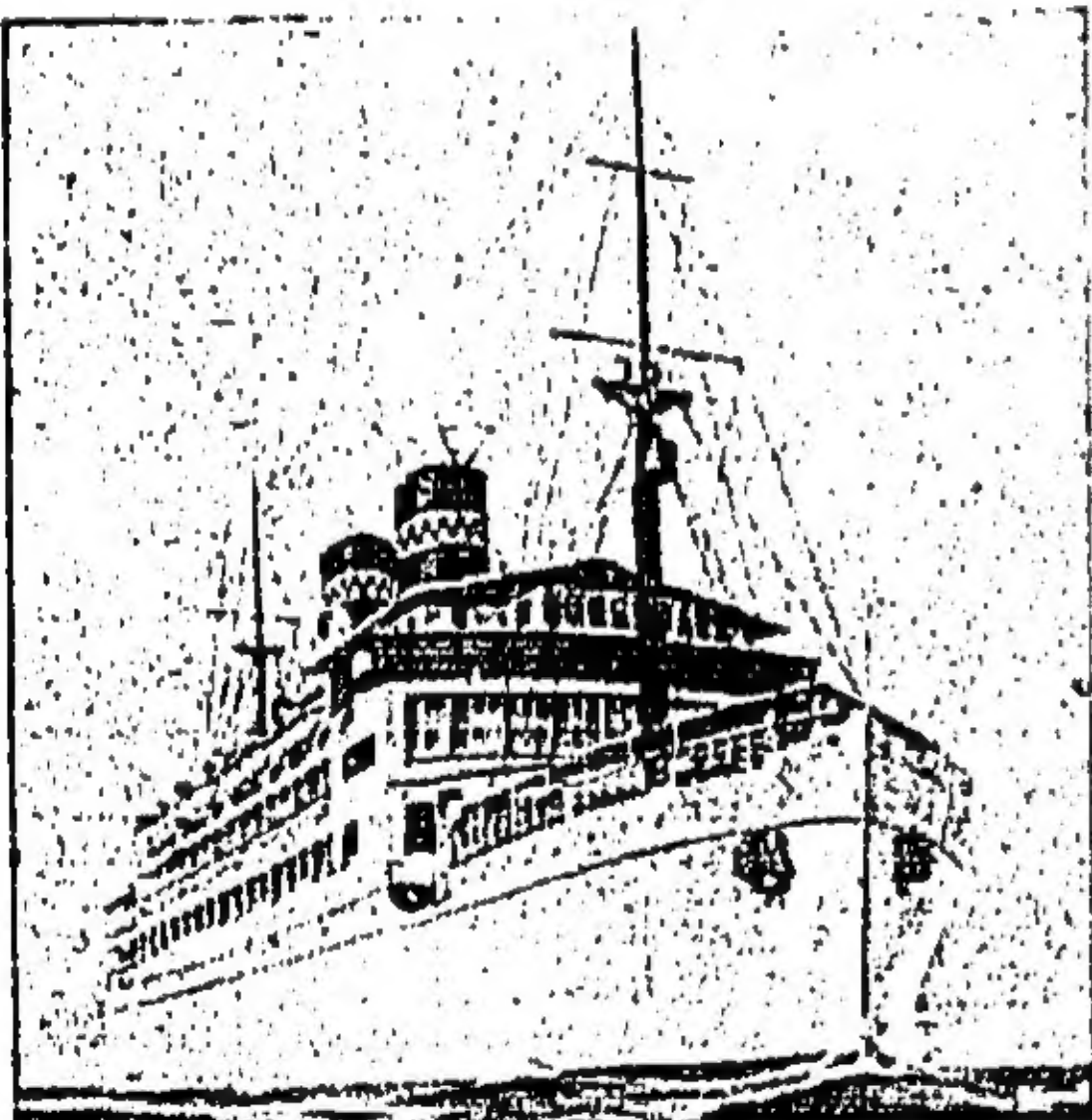
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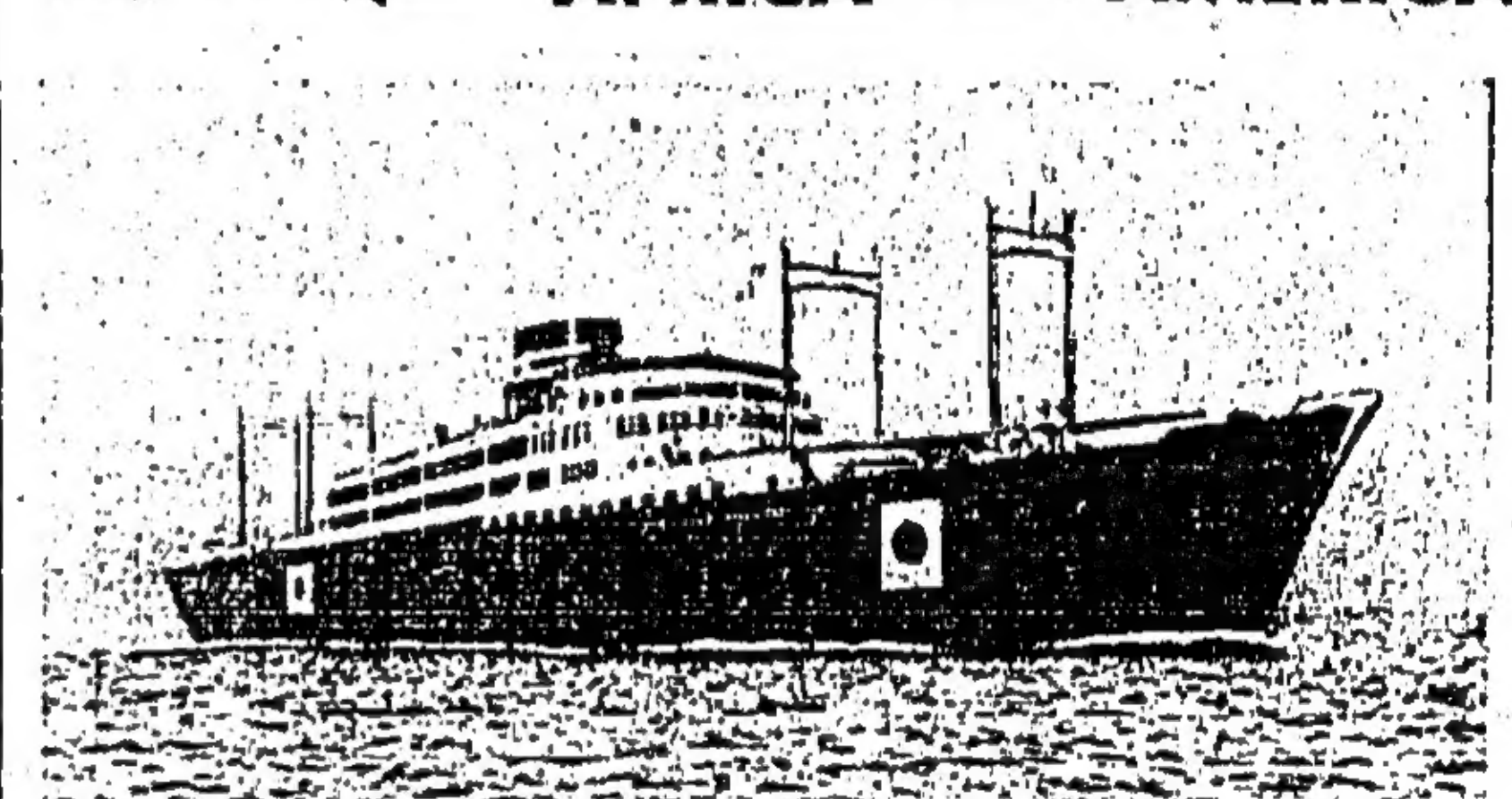
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### Blockade Protest Rejected By U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, at a Press conference to-day, rejected the German contention that the United States should protest against the British blockade of Germany on the same grounds as they opposed the closing of the Burma Road.

Commenting on the German reaction to his statement yesterday regarding the Burma Road, Mr. Cordell Hull said there was no parallel between this situation and the British blockade.

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## THE WAR FUND

### Considerable Additions Raise Total Further

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## LATE NEWS

## U-BOAT SUNK IN ATLANTIC

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—With many of the crew standing on deck in surrender, an ocean-going U-boat sank in the south-Atlantic recently after being twice bombed by a Sunderland flying boat of the Royal Australian Air Force attached to the Coastal Command.

Four bombs burst while the submarine was at periscope depth. The submarine then came to the surface and the Sunderland scored a direct hit.

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## FIRST ITALIAN CASUALTY LIST

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The names of 322 dead and 283 missing appear in the first official list of Italian naval losses, according to the Stefani agency.

## U.S. DIPLOMATS GUARDED

Basle, July 17. United States diplomats arrived from Holland to-day in a special diplomatic train and proceeded to Geneva. The train was heavily guarded and could not be approached.—United Press.

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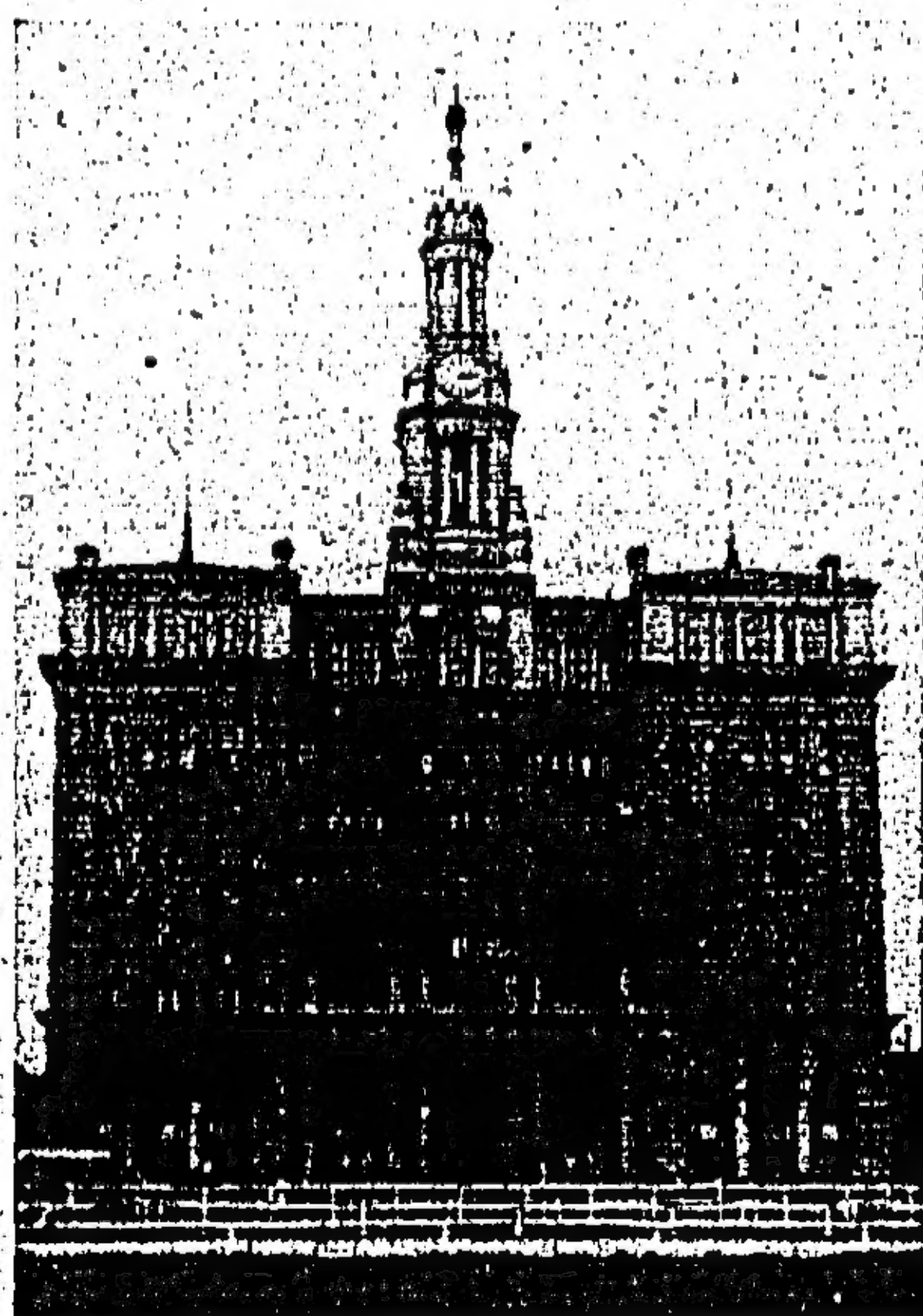
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ALL OVER THE MOTHERLAND, little armies are in training for Hitler's oft-threatened Blitzkrieg invasion. Col. W. M. Tickler, son of the famous T. G. (Plum and Apple) Tickler whose jams were known on every battlefield in the last war, has organised one such local army in the defence of Maldenhead, Berks. These men, trained by military instructors, are given time off from the work each day to enable them to undergo military drill.

"Golden Opportunity" Cabinet

### Konoye Seeks Complete Identity of Views

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, July 17 (UP).—Prince Konoye, in his first press statement since he became Premier-designate, said that in order to secure complete identity of views regarding the future course to be followed by the new Cabinet, the fundamental principles concerning Japan's foreign and defence policies will be thoroughly discussed among the Foreign, Army and Navy Ministers.

### Surprise Move By Lloyds

Portugal-America War  
Risk Rates Up

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 17 (UP).—Lloyds Underwriters have suddenly raised war risk rates for cargoes under the Portuguese flag between Portugal and North and South America.

The new rate is five per cent., compared with the previous rate of three per cent.

No explanation is given for this increase.

BUCHAREST, July 17 (UP).—A report from Galatz states that an explosion destroyed the electric power plant there. Five are known to be dead and many are injured.

### RUSSIA WILL NOT ENTER THE WAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, July 17 (UP).—The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" says: "The decisive battle against England is now imminent."

The paper declared that Mr. Churchill's speech last Sunday was "England's decision for suicide."

BERLIN'S "EXPECTANT AIR"

LAUSANNE, July 17 (Reuter).—A strange, expectant air prevails in Berlin, according to a dispatch to the "Tribune de Lausanne" from their Berlin correspondent.

The correspondent records that neutral observers are surprised at the delay in the launching of the offensive against Britain which, it had been announced, would follow immediately on the conclusion of the armistice with France.

The dispatch adds that an expedition against Britain is not a military parade: as time passes, the difficulties of the enterprise appear to be greater than ever.

HITLER TO MAKE OFFER OF PEACE?

MADRID, July 17 (Reuter).—Dispatches from Spanish correspondents in Berlin coincide in the view that Hitler will make a peace offer at the week-end.

Rejection of the offer will probably be followed immediately by an attack against Britain.

Talk of a peace offer was apparently started by an article by Virginio Gayda in Rome but the idea has evidently been fostered in Germany, where the authorities "neither confirm nor deny" the rumours.

BRITISH PRECAUTIONS

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Regional Commissioner for the Eastern Civil Defence Region has issued directions dealing with traffic in the event of an invasion.

Chief Constables are empowered, at the request of the Corps or Divisional Commander, to exclude all traffic from specified roads.

Chief Constables are also empowered to require the immobilisation of vehicles within an area at short notice.

Blitzkrieg Prediction

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., July 17 (UP).

Mr. Harper Sibley, former President of the United States Chamber of Commerce, in a speech to military experts to-day, expressed the belief that England could stand only thirty days of the German blitzkrieg.

He predicted that when a truce is reached, it will be between "a battered England and an exhausted Germany."

American Aid Urged

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY,

July 17 (UP).—The United States

should send one thousand of its finest pilots to the British Isles "to turn the tide of war," declared Colonel Henry Breckenridge, former Assistant Secretary for War, in a speech here to-day.

"We would rather fight Hitler in the air over Berlin than over New York," he said.

Russia to Stay Neutral

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 17 (UP).—It is reliably stated that M. Stalin, in his conversations with Ambassador Sir Stafford Cripps, emphasised the Soviet's determination to remain neutral.

It is reported that M. Stalin said that German domination of Europe presented no problem for Russia and he refused to believe that such domination menaces the Soviets.

Air Minister Confident

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Air Minister, Sir Archibald Sinclair, in an Empire broadcast, said that any great onslaught on Britain "by air, land or sea will fail."

The sooner we pass from the darkness to the light, the better.

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### THIS IS WHAT WILL STOP BLITZKRIEG

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is now possible to reveal how R.A.F. bombers have raided and severely damaged one of the most important links in Germany's internal transport system—the Dortmund-Ems Canal, states the Air Ministry news service.

Following the damage caused to German trains and railway junctions by R.A.F. raids, enemy communications were becoming considerably disorganised. To relieve the rail congestion, the German transport authorities began to make increasing use of the elaborate canal system which was already heavily occupied in carrying iron ore and other essential commodities to the Ruhr factories.

Large barges big enough to carry two trainloads of goods were being used in conveying munitions.

Job Well Done

Reconnaissance aircraft flew over the Dortmund-Ems Canal, in particular the double aqueduct where the Canal crosses the River Ems, and photographed its various stretches.

Models of the aqueduct were constructed and picked crews were given

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### TWO ENGLISH KIDDIES DIED IN THIS BED



BELOW the policeman clambering through the window of an eastern England town is a wrecked bed. Half-an-hour earlier Nazi bombers had passed overhead. Bombs were dropped. Mollie, aged 10, and Len, aged 6, the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Len Palmer, were sleeping peacefully in the cot, clutching their dolls. They never heard the shattering crash of the bombs, because they were dead—victims of the arch-murderer in Berlin who once said that he would not make war on women and children. Mrs. Palmer was taken to hospital with both legs broken.

### HONGKONG'S FOOD SUPPLIES PROBLEM

Although Hongkong has succeeded in accumulating a record storage of rice, sufficient to feed the population for three months or more in case of an emergency, it is not so well placed in regard to other foodstuffs. If circumstances are such that regular communications with outside sources of supply are disrupted, the Colony will almost immediately be robbed of many items which make up the daily diet of its citizens.

Important among these articles are beef, pork and fish. Prices, which had steadily risen with the extension of the Sino-Japanese hostilities to these parts, and the greater demand caused by the increase in population, have in recent weeks reached a new high level as the result of the uncertain political situation and greater transportation difficulties.

Variations in Prices

The price of beef, which varied between 25 cents and 30 cents per catty before the Sino-Japanese war, and had this year risen to about double, jumped to \$1 per catty during the Indo-China tension. The price has not gone down very appreciably since.

About 250 heads of cattle are slaughtered daily in Hongkong, or 7,500 per month. The New Territories supply only about 20 to 30 heads daily, the majority being imported from Kwangchowwan, French Indo-China and, to a lesser extent, from Thailand.

Supplies are still coming to Hongkong from these sources, but they have been less on account of transportation difficulties. Moreover, the Chinese authorities have placed a ban on the export of cattle, and this has naturally affected supplies.

It is estimated that at the rate of 20 to 30 heads each day, Hongkong can rely on the New Territories supply for only two to three months.

Fewer Pigs

About 500 pigs are slaughtered each day in Hongkong. The evacuation has caused a drop of about 100 head daily. Before the European war, with the increased population, Hongkong required between 800 and 1,000 pigs per day.

For its pork, the Colony again has to rely to a large extent on Kwangchowwan, although supplies are also

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### May Be Able To Speak To Our Wives In Manila

The Colonial Secretary has promised to investigate the possibility of allowing the radio-telephone service between Hongkong and Manila to be re-opened, at least temporarily, chiefly in order that husbands in the Colony may speak to their evacuated families.

Equipment Available

The suggestion was first raised in a letter to the "Hongkong Telegraph" and the technical authorities were approached. They said that the equipment was still available for the service which had been arbitrarily closed down on orders of the Imperial Government on the outbreak of war. The cable officials were of the opinion that a system of control could be devised to enable the radio-telephone to remain in operation between here and Manila.

The Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North was approached on the subject and he explained that the difficulty of censoring telephone conversations was responsible for the closing of the service. It was possible that some censorship could be devised, at least for the purpose of meeting the present request.



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- 4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
- 5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
- 6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
- 7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
- 8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- 9.—No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
- 10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 10x20, 10x25.
- 11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- 12.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- 13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.
- 14.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the Telegraph offices within seven days.

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## Breach Of Neutrality

Swedish Behaviour Resented

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Further reference to the British Government's protest against the Swedish Government's decision to allow German troops and war material to cross Swedish territory was made at question time in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Geoffrey Mander asked whether the Swedish action was not in direct violation of the Hague Convention of 1907 and what action the British Government proposed to take. Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said they had already indicated their view to the Swedish Government that this constituted a serious breach of neutrality.

An inaudible answer was given when the Under-Secretary was asked if the Government intended to press the matter.

## THIS WILL STOP BLITZKRIEG

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special instructions on the method of attack. Bombs were duly dropped and subsequent photographic reconnaissance revealed the success of the attack. Dargos could be seen high and dry in the mud. The aqueduct was unusable and the Canal was empty where a few days earlier photographs had shown 20 large barges on one short stretch of the Canal.

### Nazis Hide Damage

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—According to reports received from the Dutch frontier areas by the "Anep" agency, a deep impression has been created among the inhabitants of western Germany by the effect of the bombing, the effect of which is clearly visible in the Dutch side of the frontier.

The Germans are reported to be endeavouring to hide the results of the bombings from the Dutch people who recently were forbidden visit, after dark, the hills near Arnhem with a view into Germany. Another indication of the dislocation caused by the raids is the serious disorganisation of rail and road traffic between Germany and the Netherlands. Trains bound for Germany have returned to the starting point because the rail tracks and marshalling yards were broken up. Alternative lines were used but shortly after the first trains had left, the new point of departure was thoroughly bombed, indicating that the R.A.F. is well-informed as well as accurate.

## U.S. MINISTER TO AUSTRALIA

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The first United States Minister to Australia, Mr. Clarence Gauss, formerly U.S. Consul-General in Shanghai, yesterday presented his credentials to the Governor-General. In a statement, Mr. Gauss said that the Australian people regarded the arrival of Mr. Gauss as an event of profound importance. They hoped he would play an important part in making the Pacific a region in which nations might trade peacefully.

In this, Mr. Gauss would have Australia's most active support.

## Auxiliary Vessel Lost Off Norway

LONDON, July 17 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that the naval auxiliary vessel Van Dyck was sunk during an aircraft attack off the Norwegian coast on June 10.

Two officers and five ratings were killed and 20 officers and 132 ratings were taken prisoner.

## THE WAR FUND

Considerable Additions

Raise Total Further

Substantial additions to the S. C. M. Post War Fund yesterday raised the totals to \$1,245,655.00 and £2,630,105.9d.

Latest subscriptions are as follows:

Timothy ..... 500

Contribution from Mrs. D. V. Y. ..... 500

Cookery Book, per Mrs. D. V. Y. ..... 500

Edward ..... 500

Mr. L. H. McCabe ..... 500

## G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at College Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Approx. Area in Acres	Upper Price
No. 211	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 211	College Road adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 212	as per sale plan.	about 2,000	\$1,000

## G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Approx. Area in Acres	Upper Price
No. 212	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 212	Castle Peak Road adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 211	as per sale plan.	about 2,000	\$1,000

## BULGARIA AND RUMANIA

SOFIA, July 17 (Reuter).—The Bulgarian Government has made representations, through diplomatic channels, to the Rumanian Government with regard to the treatment of the Bulgarian minority in southern Dobruja.

It is understood that this step was taken following the return of detachments of the Rumanian Army into southern Dobruja.

The Rumanian troops were withdrawn from the disputed region about three weeks ago but in the past five days have re-occupied the province.

## CANADA'S WAR CONTRIBUTIONS

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Canada's latest contributions include tanks for the British army, aircraft for the Empire air training scheme, and naval craft.

A contribution of another kind is provided by the announcement that while the war lasts, no duty will be levied on the personal or household effects of women and children sent to Canada from Britain, or clothing, etc., sent to them by their relatives in Britain.

GENEVA, July 17 (Reuter).—Thanks to a gift of \$100,000 from the American Red Cross, it is announced that two trains loaded with foodstuffs, particularly milk, left Geneva to-day for non-occupied France and another for occupied France.

## G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Hung Hom, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Approx. Area in Acres	Upper Price
No. 213	Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 213	Wing Lok Street adjoining Hung Hom Inland Lot No. 214	as per sale plan.	about 2,000	\$1,000

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## THE YANKS HAVE A WORD FOR IT

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colleague; a criminal record is a pedegree; a burglar alarm, a bug; and a policeman's star, a buzzer.

One who betrays his companions to the police for remuneration or under duress is a louse, a rat, a bat carrier, a heel, a stool pigeon (usually simply stool), or a weasel, and is said to give up, do a solo, to squeal, to beef, to stool, or to sing. When an officer arrests a hoodlum he is said to swamp, to collar, or to nail him.

The pickpocket, the bank robber, the boot-licker, the automobile thief, and the gambler each have developed an argot used in their particular profession, rich in originality and characterised by elements of secrecy and intimacy.

## —Brownlee Haydon

## R.A.F. Clerk Led 5-Hour Mop Up Of Parachutists

Led by a sergeant-clerk 16 men of the ground staff of a R.A.F. component squadron in France fought Nazi parachutists for five hours in a village until every enemy was dead.

Travelling in two lorries, weary after 17 hours on the road, the men had stopped to rest in the village.

At dusk the bombers came, flying low, bombing and machine-gunning. They flew around until darkness fell, when the parachutists, carrying tommy guns, were dropped. They were quickly discovered. A few French troops in a nearby farmhouse joined the R.A.F. men and went into action with rifles.

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## BRITAIN READY FOR BLITZKRIEG

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ensitive to the offensive the sooner will the war be won.

He added that since the beginning of this month, a total of 105 enemy aircraft had been brought down while Britain lost 24 in defence against them.

There had scarcely been one hour in a single day that we had not carried the war into the enemy's territory and we had reason to believe that the material damage to the German war industry and communications were very heavy.

### Enemy's Preponderance

The enemy still has a preponderance of air power, presenting a threat which, although we regard it without dismay, remains a serious one. It is certain that we shall have to withstand an attack from the air on a scale many times greater than that already launched. Hitherto the enemy was only able to inflict negligible damage. We had not been content with staving off the enemy attacks. The R.A.F. had put into effect the plans worked out with utmost thoroughness for the systematic destruction of military objectives vital to the enemy's war effort. "We are hitting Germany hard and are going on hitting," said the Air Minister.

### Vast Enemy Coastline

Referring to the vast enemy coastline, Sir Archibald said that Germany may start an invasion of Britain not only from German bases but from Norway. Or he may come out of the Dutch canals and harbours of Belgium or northwards from the coast of France.

All these places of assembly have been watched in addition to the never-ceasing sea patrols.

Sir Archibald paid high tribute to the work of Canadian, Australian and New Zealand pilots and stressed the invaluable nature of the provision of training space in the Dominions for building up an air force greater in numbers than the German force.

## HONGKONG FOOD SUPPLY PROBLEM

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obtained from Waichow and the East River district and the New Territories.

The ban on export of cattle as well as lack of transportation has seriously affected the supply from Kwangchow. Whereas formerly ships arrived in Hongkong daily from the south with cargoes of pigs, at the present time not more than 1,000 pigs are landed here from this source per week.

### N.T. Supplies

The New Territories supply about 100 pigs daily, and the same number more or less is obtained from Chinese territory. Sometimes, supplies from Chinese territory are interrupted as the result of Japanese operations. Dealers bringing pigs into Hongkong from adjoining areas run great risks, and can never be certain that they will not be stopped on the way by the Japanese and have their cargo seized. The present price of pork is about \$1 per catty. A few weeks ago, the price soared to \$1.50 per catty. Before the Sino-Japanese war, it was about 40 cents.

### Plum Of Fish

Hongkong's daily consumption of fish, both of the freshwater and salt-water varieties, is, on an average, 250 piculs. The average price per catty at this time is about 35 cents, which is practically three times above the average price prevailing before the Sino-Japanese war, and double the price at this time last year.

The local fishing industry has suffered to a tremendous extent as a result of Japanese activities. The greater part of the fishing fleet has been destroyed, and those fishermen who still maintain their livelihood face immense difficulties.

Not only has this source of supply been reduced, but supplies of freshwater fish from Canton, Kowloon and other districts are also now quite limited. Fish supplied from these areas were formerly shipped direct to Hongkong, but the closure of shipping routes has made it necessary for supplies to be first sent to Macao, where they are re-shipped to this Colony, thus increasing the ultimate cost to the consumer.

## KONOYE SEEKS IDENTITY VIEWS

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didates for their successors in order to bring about "full co-operation between the Government and the military."

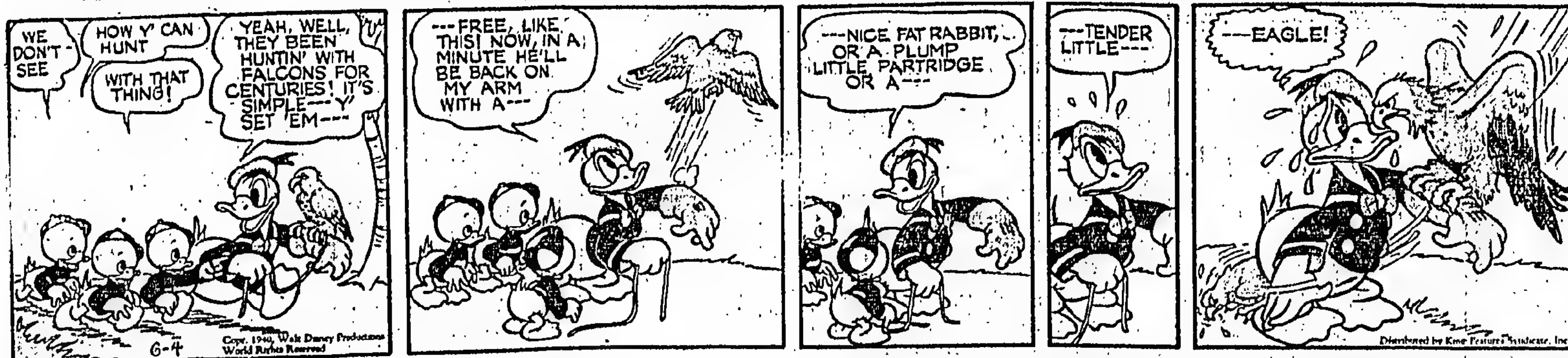
He said he would strive to establish a full Cabinet instead of a small select group and denied that he would handle the foreign affairs portfolio although he was unable to name the Foreign Minister at present.

## Contraband Control's Busy Fortnight

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively learned that the British Contraband Control seized about 10,000 tons of goods suspected for enemy destinations in the period from July 7 to the 16th. In addition, during the period from July 1 to 16, approximately 9,000 tons of goods were seized from Italian ships. Altogether the British Contraband Control has seized 700,000 tons of contraband since the start of the war.



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## Ford Factories' War Work For Britain

### Illuminating Facts Revealed In Official Statement

Mr. Henry Ford issued a statement recently in which he declared that his decision not to build airplane engines for other than the defence of the United States in no way affects the policies of Ford Companies in Canada, England and other empire countries.

The Ford Motor Company of Canada, Ltd., at Windsor, Ontario, and other Ford Plants located in the British Empire are using their facilities to the utmost for the production of military equipment for the defence of the British Empire.

They are serving their people as they should do, and as I would do if permitted, and if occasion required, I am against war in any form. I have no animosity against any people of any race or nation whatsoever. I shall be glad when war will cease all over the world.

**President's Statement**  
A statement released by Mr. Wallace Campbell, President of the Ford Motor Company of Canada Ltd., reads:

"At the outbreak of war I assured the Canadian Government that Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited, would make all its facilities available for the production of essential war supplies. We have done that. I reaffirmed the Ford position in Canada in a telegram to Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply.

"All the facilities, resources, manpower and equipment of the Canadian Ford Company and the overseas affiliated Ford Companies in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India and Malaya are now making the maximum contribution to the defence of the British Empire and the successful prosecution of the war," said Mr. Campbell.

On receiving reports of the debate on Ford in the House of Commons Mr. Campbell discussed the matter with Henry Ford personally. "Mr. Ford realized fully that all the industrial resources of a nation at war automatically become available in the defence of the country in which they are located. In his statement to the press Mr. Ford said that Ford companies in the British Empire are serving their people as they should do," Mr. Campbell said.

**Well Fitted For Work**  
Mr. Campbell explained that the Canadian Ford plant is particularly well-fitted for the production of the mechanical motorized transport used so extensively by modern armies.

"Even before war was declared, on request of the Canadian Government, we laid the ground work for military production. Since the beginning of the war nothing has been left undone to produce as quickly as possible equipment specified by the government."

"More than 50 per cent of the production in our Windsor plant consists of vehicles for military use. This percentage is rapidly increasing. We are supplying the British Empire with a total of approximately 35,000 of these units. Of this total nearly 10,000 are for the Canadian Government, and 25,000 are for use by other Empire countries such as South Africa, Australia and India," Mr. Campbell said.

He also revealed that the Canadian plant is being rapidly toolled for the production of Universal machine gun carriers. These will be supplied to the Canadian Government 50 a week when production gets into full swing within the next few months.

**What Ford Is Supplying**  
"We have a number of men with special training and qualifications useful to the government in war work. These men are working with the Department of National Defence in Ottawa and in England," Mr. Campbell revealed.

"At this time I believe that Canadian people are interested in knowing the extent of Ford military production," said Mr. Campbell, and he listed the various types of equipment

## Pains in Back Gone in 3 Hours

If you suffer terrible, sharp pains or dull aching pains in your back or neck, you can't get rid of these with ordinary medicine because you must kill the germs in your kidneys. Other symptoms of kidney and bladder disorders are scanty, frequent and painful passages, getting up at night, leg pains, lumbago, nervousness, headache, dizziness, circles under eyes and rheumatism, poor appetite and indigestion, swollen ankles, etc.—Cystex ends the trouble in 3 days. Get Cystex from any chemist or druggist. It is guaranteed to start benefits in 3 hours and completely rid your kidneys of the germs. Get Cystex from any chemist or druggist. It is guaranteed to start benefits in 3 hours and completely rid your kidneys of the germs. Get Cystex from any chemist or druggist. It is guaranteed to start benefits in 3 hours and completely rid your kidneys of the germs.

## Hongkong's Unique Distinction

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons today, Mr. G. H. Hall, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, was asked whether there was any government-controlled school in Ceylon and elsewhere in the Colonies authorized to give degrees of university standing.

Mr. Hall replied: "Degrees are conferred by the Universities of Malta and Hongkong, both of which receive financial assistance from the Government.

"No other State-aided institution in the Colonial Empire is competent to confer a University degree."

**FREE STERLING TO BE CHECKED**  
LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Treasury announces that an Order-in-Council and a number of Treasury orders are to come into operation on July 18, the effect of which will be very largely to limit sources from where free sterling arises and the use to which it may be put, so that trade and financial transactions between the sterling area and the larger part of the world will be conducted on a basis of the official rate of exchange.

These steps have been taken in pursuance of the existing policy of restricting the use of free sterling as an international means of exchange.

"Reuter's" lobby correspondent writes that as a result of the co-operation of the New York market, sterling will be quoted at the same rate in New York as in London.

**President Liners As Transports**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".—WASHINGTON, July 17 (UP).—It is understood here that the American President liners President Grant and President Jackson will be taken over by the U.S. Navy shortly and will be converted into transports.

They will replace the transports Chautauk and Henderson. Conversion may take some months to complete.

now being manufactured in the Canadian Ford Plant.  
Military vehicles made by Ford include: Light two-wheel drive trucks, known as 8-cvt., which are used for carrying light stores, personnel, or wireless sets; 15 cwt. units, used as anti-tank gun tractors, water tank carriers, and to transport heavier loads; personnel, etc.; 30-cvt. four-wheel drive, used as load carriers; three-ton units for heavy loads, for workshops, for wrecking equipment, etc.; four-wheel drive gun tractors used to haul artillery, ambulances, as well as regular passenger cars and station wagons specially fitted and painted for army purposes.

**New Army Vehicles**  
"Ford engineers in the Windsor plant have contributed substantially to the design of these army type vehicles. We have equipped our plant with the additional tools and dies necessary for the production of these special machinery. We have more than 7,000 men at work in our plant," Mr. Campbell said.

## K.R.A. Meeting LANDLORDS AND THE EVACUATION

Several landlords on the mainland have reduced flat rents by more than half since the evacuation, said members of the Kowloon Residents' Association at the monthly committee meeting last Wednesday.

The committee was discussing the hardship caused to some residents whose families had left and who could not pay the normal rent and maintain their families abroad at the same time.

The association, recording its appreciation of this action by some landlords, decided that the problem would be solved if landlords generally took the same action.

**Street Cleaning**  
The committee decided to urge the government to consider the question of regular and adequate street cleaning. Water vehicles were being purchased for A.R.P. uses, it was pointed out.

The lack of a bus waiting shed outside the Kowloon Hospital was criticised. The committee re-affirmed that the responsibility belongs to the Government as the shelter has been written to the association asking them to appoint a representative to discuss with him the procedure for patients seeking treatment at Kowloon Hospital. Mr. C. E. Terry was appointed.

**Telephone Charges**  
In a letter on May 30 1939, the Colonial Secretary promised that the question of telephone charges in the Kowloon-Tong area would be included in the discussions with the Telephone Company regarding the revision of the Company's franchise. As this revision had already been granted, it was decided to ask the Colonial Secretary what had been arranged.

Those present at the meeting were: Mr. Lam Ming Fan, President; Mr. F. C. Mow Fung, Hon. Secretary; Mr. H. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer; Dr. S. G. Kirkby-Gomes, Messrs. D. W. Munton, I. N. Murray, R. Pestonji, H. A. Silva, D. O. Silver, and B. Wylie.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. G. V. T. Marshall, Hon. Mr. L. D'Almeida e Castro, Rev. J. R. Higgs, Major C. M. Manners, Lieut. Col. E. D. Matthews, Miss R. Mow Fung, and Mr. C. E. Terry.

The resignation from the Committee of Miss H. D. Sawyer, who evacuated from the Colony on the 20th, was recorded with regret.

The financial statement submitted by the Hon. Treasurer showed that the funds of the Association had been considerably depleted during the past month, the payments including a donation of \$1,000 to the "S. C. M. Post Ltd.—War Fund." He reported the enrolment of one new member.

**Frightened By Nazis**  
Spain Sees Threat On Her Border

GIBRALTAR, July 17 (Reuter).—According to reliable information reaching here from Spain, there are signs everywhere that now that the Germans are at their very doors, the Spaniards are becoming thoroughly frightened.

It appears that when the Germans arrived at Hendaye, the Spanish authorities on the frontier received them with considerable ceremony and German soldiers off duty were allowed to wander more or less at will about the Spanish border, a parade of German motorised columns arranged to take place at San Sebastian, was suddenly cancelled without any reason given.

**Significant Move**  
Another significant fact was the replacement of General Yague, a Spanish pro-terrorist, by General Vico, who is noted for his moderation, as Minister for Air.

It is believed that the Germans have about 40,000 men at the frontier. This does not represent a force strong enough for any violation of Spanish territory, but there are doubtless bigger forces behind them.

## "I Do Not Envy Hitler's Invaders"—"Reuter"

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" special correspondent who has toured the defences of Britain declares: "I do not envy Hitler's army if it ever does attempt to march through this land of nowhere, which is Britain to-day, especially if the weather is bad."

"Steps taken to defend every village, every town and every city in accordance with Mr. Churchill's assurance represent an impressive record of high speed endeavour. Sentries and look-outs stand on guard along the coasts ready for the sternest battle of the beaches in history."

"Should an invading force come out of the morning mists cutting through the protecting screens of the navy and the R.A.F. and succeed in making landings here, they will come face to face with regiments of an army ordered to fight to the last man."

"Anything that Hitler lands will meet with a hot reception. They will have to cut through a thick curtain of heavy and light gunfire. The system of pillboxes and other strong points has been planned to meet the threat of invasion from Napoleon."

"Behind are the grim lines of the khaki beach defenders. Strategically placed, they are ready to deal with light tanks."

"The navy is fully prepared and eager for the fray, and the R.A.F. await the outcome with tremendous optimism, though all of the R.A.F. have no illusions about the bigger number of aircraft they may be called upon to meet."

"The R.A.F. have supreme confidence in themselves, and in their superior aircraft. There is a growing belief that the Germans are beginning to feel the strain of sustained loss of pilots."

"The pilot of one German bomber recently burst down within only 17, with a total of 50 hours flying to his credit."

## Fine Words But—

VICHY, July 17 (Reuter).—The Foreign Minister, M. Paul Baudouin, in a statement to a Swiss newspaper on "French policy," said that the national revolution had been freely made.

"We are not caving our conquerors and do not aim at pleasing them. We shall adopt French solutions suited to our temperament and traditions."

"Soon, new relations will be instituted between capital and labour, and there will be new conceptions of life based on authority, order and obedience."

"Our foreign policy will be conducted along the lines of this regime. Different states have a need of each other. We must exchange goods with Germany and Italy as we shall with Britain when she has returned to a juster understanding of France."

## U-BOAT SUNK IN ATLANTIC

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—With many of the crew standing on deck in surrender, an ocean-going U-boat sank in the sea south of Ireland, after being twice bombed by a Sunderland flying boat of the Royal Australian Air Force attached to the Coastal Command.

Four bombs burst while the submarine was at periscope depth. The submarine then came to the surface, and the Sunderland scored a direct hit.

The men streamed out of the conning tower while the U-boat sank beneath them.

The survivors were picked up by a naval sloop.

## BRITONS WORKING TOO LONG IN WAR FACTORIES

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in a speech in London to-day, deplored the serious loss to the nation during the war caused by continual neglect during the past years of skilled men and women.

He estimated that if sufficient skilled workers had been available, he could have placed another 250,000 women into work very quickly.

He added, however, that the Government intended to utilise the services of both men and women to the utmost extent.

**Overworking**  
Mr. Bevin said his appeal to the workers had, had, a remarkable

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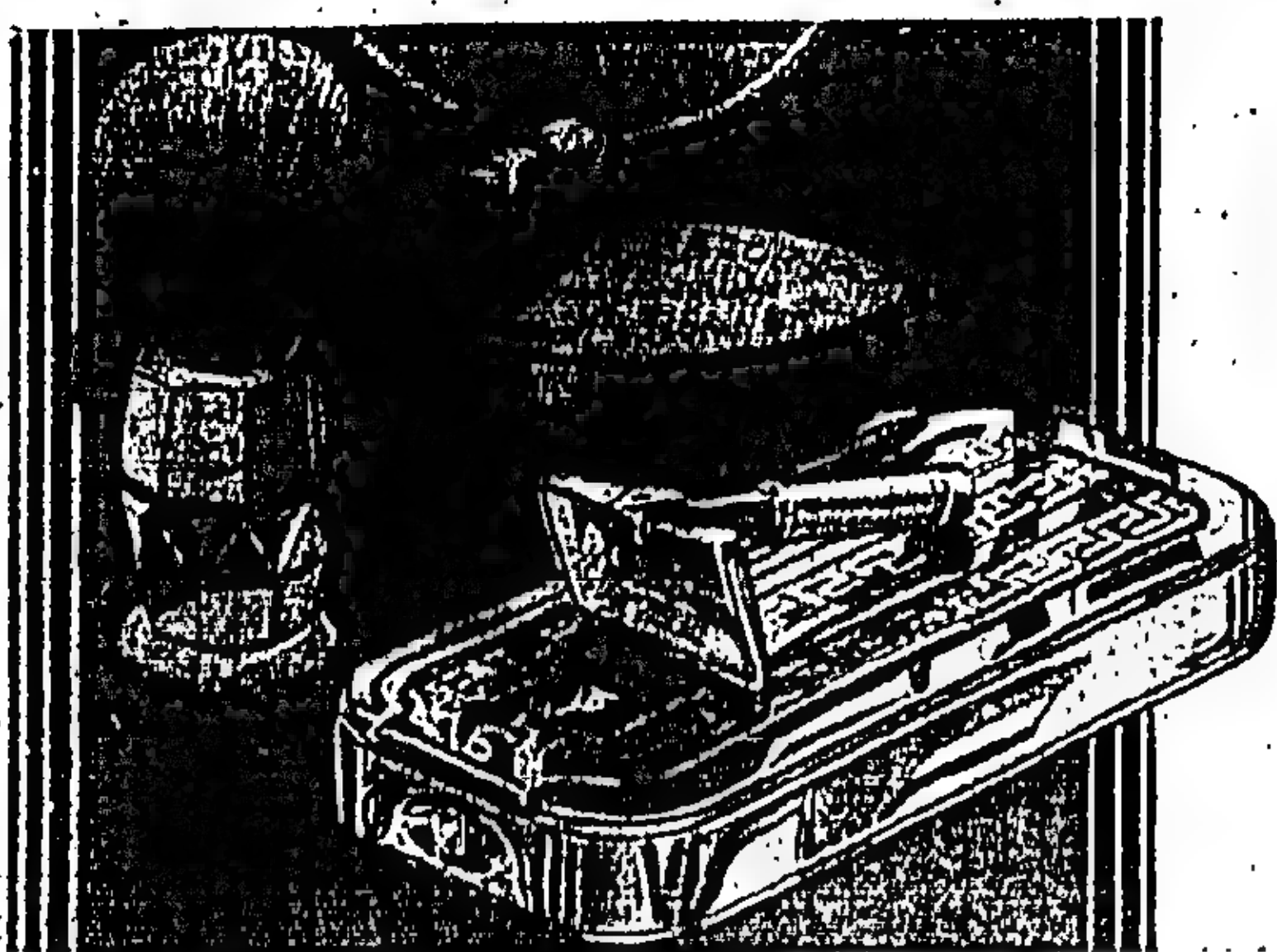
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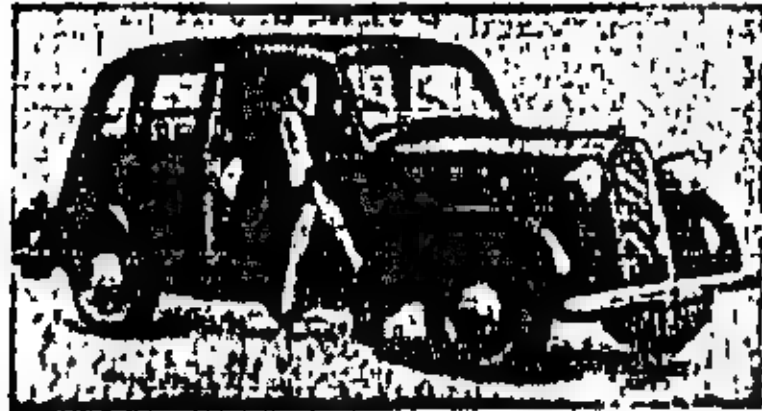
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### Looking Backward

Historians make us acquainted with stirring scenes and events of former times in which famous men played their parts. Imagination invests such episodes with an atmosphere like that which the dramatist contrives to surround the lifelike presentations of the stage. The present confers a romantic and dramatic quality upon the picturesque transactions of the past, and future generations will read with keen-interest-the-story-of—the critical days through which we are now passing. The historians of a generation hence will be able to look at these events in a perspective that is denied to us at the moment and estimate their significance with a better sense of proportion.

Some future Gibbon or Macaulay will comment upon the mental and moral aberrations for which the German people had long been noted. He will trace the steps by which they became the victims of domestic regimentation and later on the slavish tools of ambitious military leaders. He will tell how these adventurers proclaiming themselves the divinely appointed guides and rulers of the "peerless" German race, extinguished the spirit of liberty in that country. He will give a vivid account of the long series of outrages inflicted by Germany upon her neighbours, of the unavailing efforts of the Western Powers in the interest of peace and international justice, and of their decision to take up arms in defence of civilization. All this will be by way of preface or introduction to the historian's pen-picture describing the course of the great conflict.

The historical records to be written after the clash of arms has ceased and the smoke of battle has cleared away will narrate the events that led to the accession to power of Mr. Winston Churchill. The future historian will do full justice to the parts played by Mr. Attlee and the veteran, Mr. Lloyd George, and will not fail to record the approval by their fellow countrymen of the dignity

## I ESCAPED FROM GERMANY

MY heart thumped as I lay in my sleeping-compartment on the Berlin-Rome express.

It was midnight. In a few minutes we should steam out of the Brenner station over the border into Italy.

In a few minutes I should be free.

My journey was being made openly. The Nazis believed that I was going to Italy to make a film there.

Only I and a few men who had helped me in Berlin knew that, once across the frontier, I would never return; that I was escaping to join in the fight against the oppressors of my Czech fatherland.

Still, the Gestapo has long ears—and sometimes it likes to play with its prey. Many last minute arrests are made on the frontiers.

I tried not to think of these as I lay and waited.

The Customs Inspector and currency officials had passed my compartment without stopping. Doubtless they knew me as an actor well liked in Berlin. Better not annoy any friend of the leaders!

Voices outside began to shout that everything was ready for departure. Surely it was all right now?

Then I heard my name called in the corridor.

"Herr Stepanek! Where is Herr Stepanek?"

"In there," said the conductor. A knock at the door.

I took a grip on myself, hoped that my trembling hands would not be noticed, and opened the door the caller was a uniformed Nazi frontier guard.

"I am sorry to disturb you, but I have seen you in so many films. Would you please give me an autograph?"

We were well into Italy before my nerves were under control again.

Soon after the occupation of Czechoslovakia, the subject of my nationality began to interest officials in Berlin.

Dr. Proschke, one of Goebbels' aides, was apparently deputed to talk to me about it.

"You ought to take out a German passport," he told me one day at the Ufa studios. You speak the German language as if it were your own. You have made your name in German plays and films. You are popular with the German public. Think it over."

A few weeks later he repeated the suggestion, much more insistently. When I still did nothing Herr Hinkel, the Nazi Commissar for Culture, tried his powers of persuasion upon me.

Somehow the talk was led around to concentration camps. I was told, casually, just how many Czechs had been imprisoned since the Occupation.

It was a dilemma from which I could extricate myself only by dangerous moves. It meant bribing Nazi officials—and, although bribery is rife in Berlin to-day, I could not be sure that the corrupt Nazis who took my money would not immediately betray me.

I do not want the men who helped me to be sent to a concentration camp. I finally contacted a high police official and, step by step, carefully tested his feelings.

Two days later, I received from him a German passport—and I still retained my Czech papers.

I found a Nazi doctor who confirmed that my health was bad. He

and manly frankness of Mr. Chamberlain, and the gravity and courage with which Mr. Churchill undertook his formidable task in a situation of peril, as said by Mr. Lloyd George, without any parallel in our long history.

Karl Stepanek, one of Germany's most popular actors, recently escaped to Britain from Berlin and is telling the full story of wartime Germany. Stepanek is a Czech by birth, and lived in Germany for ten years. He was often a personal guest of Hitler's. To-day he tells the thrilling story of his journey to London.

When I presented all these credentials in order to get an exit-permit, I was politely told that there were plenty of spies inside Germany.

I could be allowed to leave Germany, I was told, only if I had a contract to make films in a neutral country.

Then the trip would be "in the interests of the State." The money I earned abroad could be used by the Reichsbank, which desperately needed foreign currency. It would be a patriotic undertaking.

I went away and pulled more strings, finally obtaining an offer from an Italian film company to make a picture in Rome.

I said goodbye to my Berlin flat, looked wistfully at the handsome total in my bank-book, gave a last thought to my bungalow on the Fankler Lake in Carinthia. All these possessions, won by years of hard work, I had to leave behind for the Nazis to seize as soon as they learned the truth about me.

On the other hand, I had the satisfaction of knowing that my flight would cost the Nazi propaganda machine four million marks—the price of a bombing squadron. That was the cost of the film I completed just before leaving Berlin. It was the first German colour film. Now Dr. Goebbels will have to scrap it. He cannot have a "renegade" actor starring in his cinemas.

Apart from my midnight scare at the frontier, my journey to Rome was uneventful. As soon as I found a quiet hotel, I dug my Czech passport from its hiding place in one of my trunks, and armed with it, called at the British Embassy.

I discovered from German friends in Rome that the Gestapo kept a constant watch on the British and French Embassies, and on the offices of Allied firms. All callers were "investigated."

I was followed every day until I received my British visa after being vouchsafed by good Czech friends in London. On my last evening, I returned to my hotel to find an Italian detective waiting for me. The detective questioned me thoroughly, alternately friendly and threatening, he wanted to know exactly what I was doing in Italy, and when I intended to return to Germany.

"I'm staying in Rome for some time," I lied. "See—I'll hand you my passport so that I cannot leave even if I want to."

I offered him the German passport. He hesitated—but accepted it. I promised to call at the station for it next day.

Within an hour I had packed, checked out at the hotel, and caught a train northwards.

On the way I changed as unobtrusively as I could to a fast train for France. My Czech passport saw me safely over the frontier at Modena, and, more dead than alive by this time, I arrived finally at Calais.

But still one great adventure lay ahead of me. For many months Nazi propaganda had hammered into all Germans details of the terrifying dangers of the voyage to England. Who travels to England travels into death, they told us. The U-boats sink nearly every ship approaching Britain. Mines and bombs get the rest. Neutral seamen mutiny when asked to sail for Britain.

So I boarded the Channel boat at Calais with considerable trepidation. I was surprised at the number of my fellow-travellers, and at their non-chalance. I was amazed when, hearing their conversation, I found that they were not all British, but men and women of half a dozen nationalities.

And, out in the Channel, I was again amazed to see that not a single warship was conveying us across the "sea of death."

There were freighters steaming in several directions, apparently undisturbed by U-boats and mines; but not a single warship.

When I landed at Dover, I realised something of the extent to which the German people are being duped by the Nazis. I realised, too, that Britain still rules the waves.

**TO-MORROW:**  
Air-raid fears in Berlin—trade in British leaflets—Risking prison to hear the B.B.C. broadcasts—A friend in danger.



Room for More

## The Yanks have a word for it

THE jargon of the American underworld is a mixture of slang, cant and argot used without any conscious adherence to grammatical rules, and is primarily a language of expedience characterised by terseness of phrase and simplicity of description. It is a strange accumulation of words borrowed from every social group in every geographical area of the English-speaking world.

Major contributors to the vocabulary are the tramp, the gunman, the hoodlum, and the bootlegger, although circus troupers, loggers, cattle men and railroad workers have supplied necessary and useful words.

It is almost impossible to locate the actual source of slang or cant after many weeks have elapsed, since the language is seldom written, and new words may be current in isolated groups long before they find wide acceptance and notice.

The place is bugged so Micky and Deeno case the ins while Jerry ganders. The skipper's graced so the play is safe. The cops trip a bug and the dinger blows so Jerry mopes—no heat for him! The cops tried to swamp them and they're fogged on the breeze. It was curtains for Deeno. Micky pulled through and drew a 1 to 20 rap.

Literally translated, this means: The place is equipped with a burglar alarm, so Micky and Deeno study a method of entrance while Jerry remains on the look-out. The district police officer has been bribed, and the accomplishment of their task should not involve danger. The two clumsily set off an alarm, and when the bell rings Jerry leaves no trouble with the police for him! The police tried to surround and arrest Micky and Deeno, and shot them when they tried to escape. Deeno was killed, but Micky recovered and was convicted, with an indeterminate sentence of from one to twenty years in prison.

**THE THIRD DEGREE**

In such an example the language is relatively casual and intelligent. In the heat of action, words replace sentences and signals are cut and concise. A description of a stick-up or hold-up as related by a gunman is less easy to understand. "Hit and glom—rank and lam: half a C."

tells the complete story. He says: "I held him up and robbed him—I was discovered and had to run, but I got fifty dollars."

A criminal has almost innumerable words used to describe the act of leaving: to take it on the lam, to scam, to screw, to blow, to mope, and to breeze—to mention a few. The show-up, where suspects are displayed and paraded for identification by victims, is the stage, or Hollywood, from the brilliant spotlights and raised platform. When one is pointed out by a victim he is said to get the finger, and if he is not guilty, to get a bum finger.

The word cop in one sense originally meant to steal, but has more recently come to mean get or procure, as in such phrases as cop a plea (plead guilty), cop a mope (make a get-away), and cop an out (procure an alibi).

The police car used to transport prisoners within city boundaries is known as a paddy wagon (from the typical Irish-American policeman) or the Black Maria.

Many words have been provided to eliminate the necessity for calling a policeman by that prosaic name. A few of them are cop, bull or harness bull (uniformed officer), shamus (from the Hebrew), buttons, jazz, and skipper (district captain). A police detective is a nose, slim, a snoop, a tall, a shagger, a soft heel, an eye, an elbow (from the method of making headway through a crowd), dick, or if particularly noted for a receptive memory for faces, a camera eye.

**"TAKE IT ON THE HAM"**

Intimidation and beating of a criminal in an effort to obtain a confession or information is well known to the American public as the third degree. To the criminal it is the kick, a jacking (from black-jack), a hosing (from soft rubber hose used to prevent bruising), Coney Island (from the queer methods of eliciting information), and the more obvious phrase, a police storm.

The criminal injects a note of humour into many of his cant words. A look-out, for instance, is a gander; anything or anyone sought after by the police is hot (hot-car, hot-money, etc.); a lawyer is a mouthpiece or lip; a reformatory is a school or Turn to Page 2, Fourth Column

## FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I told the chef what you said, sir!"



BURMA ROAD

# AGREEMENT OPERATING HIGHWAY TO BE CLOSED TO-DAY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, July 17 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Anglo-Japanese agreement closing the Burma Road, has been signed at Tokyo.

It is authoritatively stated that the agreement between the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, and the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, provides that the road will be closed to traffic from July 18, 1940.

British quarters re-affirm Britain's readiness to offer its good offices provided Tokyo and Chungking desire that arrangement.

Chinese circles compare the British action to the position which would arise if the United States prevented war materials reaching Britain and then offered to promote Anglo-German peace talks.

British commentators declare the comparison as irrelevant because the United States is not engaged in a life and death struggle in the west.

Lord Cecil Urges Caution  
LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—Speaking in the House of Lords to-day about the Burma Road agreement, Lord Cecil said he had, no desire to embarrass the Government at the present time, but he could not conceal from them that these negotiations had caused anxiety in considerable sections of the public.

The change of Government in Japan had not diminished their anxiety in any way.

Lord Cecil drew attention to one broad statement that there was some idea of using the influence of this country to produce peace between China and Japan.

He asked the Government to be very cautious in proceeding on these lines.

Discussing the closing of the Burma Road, Lord Cecil said he hoped the Government would be extremely careful before they committed themselves in any way to something which appeared to be like assisting Japan against China.

Immense Seriousness  
"All recognize the immense seriousness of the position. I am most anxious that we should do nothing to hinder the Government in taking whatever steps they think will really diminish the gravity of the situation," declared Lord Cecil.

"But I would beg them to consider whether a policy of concession to Japan, apparently under threats, is likely to diminish the gravity. We have got to consider, not only the material and immediate results of any action, but the ultimate results upon which victory in this war will depend."

Replying, Lord Halifax said that he could not enter into a debate with Lord Cecil on this occasion, but "I should be sorry if he or any of your lordships should think that any of the grave matters to which he refers have been absent from the mind of His Majesty's Government."

"For the rest, I hope the House will see well to await a fuller statement which I hope to be able to make."

# D.S.C. Hero Dies

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—Lieut. Commr. Russell Gordon-Smith who a fortnight ago received the Distinguished Service Cross from the hands of the King, has died following an operation in a south coast hospital.

Lieut. Commr. Gordon-Smith was navigating officer in H.M.S. Hardy and was badly wounded while standing beside Captain Warburton-Lee, who was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross.

# MADRID AND CHILE

MADRID, July 17 (Reuters).—Explaining the breaking off of diplomatic relations with Chile, an official note says that the Chilean Popular Front Government had not ceased to protect and aid the Reds who fled from Spain.

This attitude reached intolerable limits, culminating in a large public meeting on June 17 when speakers insulted Spain and General Franco, their speeches being broadcast by the official radio.

# STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES FALL

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—Stock Exchange prices declined to-day owing to the imminence of the Budget, but losses were only small, as no selling pressure was anywhere visible.

Oil-edged holdings finished unchanged to one-eighth lower. Industrials were mixed and Japanese bonds were hesitant on the Far Eastern situation.

# SOMALILAND RAID

CAIRO, July 17 (Reuters).—A war communiqué issued this evening states that on July 16 a motor patrol of the Camel Corps raided an enemy post at Damerabab (Somaliland), after causing casualties and destroying 20,000 rounds of ammunition, the patrol withdrew without loss.

There is nothing of importance to report on other fronts.



# ITALIANS BOAST OF KENYA SUCCESS

By ELEANOR PACKARD  
"UNITED PRESS" STAFF CORRESPONDENT

ROME, July 17 (UP).—Italian military circles believe that the British withdrawal from the fortress at Moyale, in northern Kenya, as being of great strategic importance, in giving the Italians possession of the fulcrum of the British defence of northern Kenya.

Moyale fort is on the site of the old Fort Harrington, midway between Italian Somaliland and Lake Rudolf on the Kenya-Abyssinian frontier. It is due south of El Golecho in Abyssinia.

According to Italian military observers, Moyale is the chief and strongest fortification in the whole defensive system along the northern frontier province of Kenya.

The Italians state that it was manned by the King's African Rifles, who are considered to be the best troops in Kenya.

Moyale's importance is due to the fact that it is the terminus of the longest and best-conditioned highway in Kenya. This highway, 510 miles long, leads to Nairobi, the Kenya capital.

# Egypt To Be Fully Armed

Reassuring Statement  
By Minister

CAIRO, July 17 (Reuters).—"It is the Government's intention not only to maintain the present standard of arms and equipment of the Egyptian Army, but to increase its strength both in numbers and equipment until it reaches the desired standard," declared Mahmud Fahmy el Kinalssi, the Minister of Defence, in the Chamber of Deputies to-day.

Referring to the previous announcement that suggestions were under consideration to the effect that the British Government should take back certain war material loaned to the Egyptian Army and purchase other war material belonging to the Egyptian Army, the Government now announced that the Army was maintaining and would maintain its full complement of war materials, including that borrowed from the British Government.

# U.S. PILOTS FOR R.A.F.

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—It is learned that American pilots will be welcomed as volunteers in the R.A.F. in the Dominion or Colonial Air Forces or the Fleet Air Arm.

There is every reason to believe that hundreds of experienced pilots will gladly join.

There is no question at present of raising purely American squadrons, but the gradual formation of American flights and eventually squadrons is a future possibility.

# Position Explained

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—Many American citizens have shown their sympathy for Britain by trying to enlist in the R.A.F. This is greatly appreciated, but it is pointed out that such applications can only be accepted if they are made on British territory. It is contrary to American law for any offer of service to be accepted except on British soil.

It must also be made clear that Britain cannot ask United States citizens to join the British armed forces.

# No Loss Of Citizenship

WASHINGTON, July 17 (Reuters).—The Department of Justice announced to-day that United States citizens in Britain need not fear loss of citizenship by enlisting in the R.A.F., as they do not take an oath of citizenship to a foreign power.

BUCHAREST, July 17 (Reuters).—It is suggested in local German circles that a meeting of the Reichstag to hear a statement by Hitler may be announced in Berlin to-morrow.

# Unidentified Bombers Attack Gibraltar

LA LINEA, July 16 (UP).—Unidentified planes carried out two brief raids at 1.20 p.m. and 5.40 p.m. to-day.

All the bombs fell into the sea while anti-aircraft batteries from the land and warships fired fruitlessly. The planes disappeared in a southerly direction.

# Yugo-Slav Government In Pillory

Nazis Resenting Pro-French Sympathies

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—The German press is now attacking the Yugo-Slav Government for permitting officers of the State army to take part in a memorial service at the French soldiers' cemetery at Belgrade, at which, it is alleged, they offered condolences to the French Minister over France's national sorrow.

The "Berliner Botschafter" for instance accuses the French Minister of being a secret admirer of General de Gaulle, leader of all Free Frenchmen.

Petty Accusations  
This year, says the paper, the Bastille Day celebrations were held for the first time at the cemetery instead of at the Embassy. This gave the Minister the opportunity of meeting many Yugo-Slav officers who are anti-German and allowing them to make ostentatious expressions of sympathy.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" says that high Yugo-Slav officers including the Secretary of State at the War Ministry, the Commander-in-Chief of the Belgrade Garrison and the Chief of General Staff took part.

Berlin circles accuse the Yugo-Slav authorities of allowing Slovians to distribute pamphlets about the brutal behaviour of the German soldiers and Gestapo in Poland.

# Roosevelt's Popularity

Nomination Appears Inevitable

CHICAGO, July 17 (Reuters).—A "Draft Roosevelt" sentiment swept through the Democratic Convention to-day with a fierceness which threatened to smother any opposition to a third term and to leave unanswered the question of how Mr. Roosevelt will be nominated.

As confident as if President Roosevelt himself had said he would accept, Mr. Harry Hopkins, Secretary of Commerce, and other third term advocates are mapping out their strategy for making President Roosevelt the 1940 choice.

Leaders Confident  
New Deal leaders are confidently predicting that President Roosevelt will accept, and some are even hinting that he will address the Convention by telephone from the White House.

It has been decided to hold the nomination to-night instead of to-morrow as originally arranged.

# Another Slap For Nazis

Blockade Protest Rejected By U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 17 (Reuters).—Mr. Cordell Hull, at a Press conference to-day, rejected the German contentions that the United States should protest against the British blockade of Germany on the same grounds as they opposed the closing of the Burma Road.

Commenting on the German reaction to his statement yesterday regarding the Burma Road, Mr. Cordell Hull said there was no parallel between this situation and the British blockade.

The Difference  
Nations at war had the right under International Law to intercept the commerce of belligerents and neutrals.

In the case of a privately-owned highway running through a nation at war, an entirely different rule prevailed.

Other Department officials said that since a state of war did not exist between Japan and China, Japan could not claim the same right of blockade as possessed by the European belligerents.

# QUICK DAY IN THE AIR

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that throughout yesterday Coastal Command aircraft carried out their usual reconnaissance over a wide area, from Scandinavia to the Bay of Biscay.

Owing to adverse weather conditions, our bomber forces did not operate last night.

# Bigger Home Guard For Australia

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—The strength of the army guard in Australia is being raised to 250,000 men, announced Brigadier Street, Minister for the Army.

This will be done by calling up four more age groups and a further voluntary enlistment of 30,000 men. The total addition will be 120,000 men.

# DRAMATIC DEMAND

New Turn In Chicago Convention

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CHICAGO, July 17 (UP).—The Democratic Convention was suddenly confronted with a demand to-day that it incorporate in the Democratic platform a clear-cut declaration that the United States will extend to Britain, and to other nations resisting aggression, full material aid short of American manpower.

The resolution was moved by Senator Claude Pepper.

This will delay the final vote on the 1040 platform, which was to have been presented by the Resolutions Committee to-night.

Willkie's Promise  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
COLORADO SPRINGS, July 17 (UP).—Mr. Wendell Willkie, the Republican presidential nominee, said to-day that he hoped to conduct a "clean" crusade against the Democrats.

"But I'll retaliate if my opponents launch a 'smear campaign' against me," he said.

# Preference For B.B.C.

Commons Clamours On Behalf Of Press

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—More questions suggesting that the B.B.C. were being given priority over the Press were put to Mr. A. Duff Cooper, the Minister of Information, in the House of Commons to-day.

The Minister was asked by Sir Archibald Southby (Conservative) if it was his established policy to give the B.B.C. priority over newspapers in the dissemination of official announcements.

Mr. Duff Cooper replied that official announcements are issued to the Press and the B.B.C. simultaneously through the news division of the Ministry.

Pointed Questions  
Sir Archibald Southby: Is the Minister aware that in the case of the Arandora Star, a full account of this was in the hands of the Press by 1 p.m. B.S.T. on the day the ship was sunk and that although the decision to allow publication was delayed until too late, so that the B.B.C. news at 9 p.m. B.S.T. was the first intimation to the public of what had happened?

Mr. Duff Cooper: I will look into that particular case.

Sir Archibald Southby then asked why the first public intimation regarding the action against the French naval forces at Oran was in the short wave broadcast of the B.B.C. and in the corresponding news of the Dominions and other American newspapers were prevented by the censor from releasing this news until later.

Mr. Duff Cooper said the first public intimation regarding the action against the French naval force at Oran was given in an official communiqué which was issued simultaneously to the Press and the B.B.C. at 3.30 a.m. B.S.T. on July 4.

No correspondents were prevented by the censor from cabling the news contained in this communiqué, which was reproduced in many newspapers and given out by the B.B.C. in a short wave news bulletin at 3.45 a.m. B.S.T. and in subsequent bulletins.

BBC Advantage Denied  
Sir Archibald Southby: Can the Minister assure the House that no special consideration was given to certain United States papers to the detriment of other United States papers?

Mr. Duff Cooper: Before it was decided that only the official communiqué should go out, one American Press correspondent had telegraphed to his paper a full account of the battle then was afterwards allowed to go out.

Sir Archibald Southby: Isn't it very unsatisfactory that should be so, and isn't the B.B.C. having a much better deal from the Ministry of Information than the Press?

Mr. Duff Cooper: I don't think that in this particular case the B.B.C. had any particular advantage.

# MARTINIQUE SETTLEMENT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
FORT DE FRANCE, July 17 (UP).—Well-informed quarters here confirm that efforts are being made to settle the Martinique question peacefully.

There are no details of the negotiations available here as they are being conducted in Washington.

# High Blood Pressure Kills Men & Women

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# CHING WING UNION LACK LONG DISTANCE SWIMMERS

## Six More Open Pairs Results

### Alves and Ribeiro Enter Third Round

Four more matches in the Second Round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Champion were decided yesterday, the three matches at Happy Valley providing very close finishes.

H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, holders, won through to the Third Round at the expense of J. S. Riddell and J. C. Aitken whom they beat 20-21 after a ding-dong struggle. The Portuguese pair were very solid throughout and untruffled when being led 18-10 on the 17th end. The next head, a short one, proved disastrous for the Police pair, who were seven shots down, Alves laying his first three woods close to the jack while Ribeiro completed the great work. They never looked back from this stage.

Landolt and Basa, Craigengower veterans, were fully extended all the way by Jackie Noronha and C. G. Silva, but won 19-17. Noronha and Silva drew level at the 19th end with the scores at 10-10, but a three on the 20th head gave the Craigengower pair a jumping off place and they won after conceding a single shot on the last head. Silva was at the top of his form and drew beautifully onto the jack, although in the closing stages he narrowly missed on several occasions when a drive was called for.

On the Police green J. Gallatley and L. A. Collyer, of Civil Service, beat E. A. Atkins and H. White, of Bowling Green, 19-17. There was never much in the match and the lead changed hands several times.

Two matches were decided on the Kowloon Football Club green, where A. K. Sufian and M. R. Abbas, of Indian R.C., beat R. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom 23-15, and F. Jones and A. W. Grimmit, of Civil Service, beat A. E. H. Castro and V. Atienza, of Kowloon Tong, 19-17.

Sufian and Abbas led for most of the match although a two on the 10th end gave Williamson and Thom the lead for the first time at 15-13. The Indian R.C. pair, however, emerged comfortable winners, scoring 4, 1, 1, 2, 2, on the next five heads.

A. Steven and S. Ecclesall caused an upset when they beat J. C. Gill and Adam Holland 22-21 on the Tai-koo green yesterday.

## Bowls Teams For Saturday

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"A" - Y. Kowloon B.C.C. (home), L. J. Silva, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves.  
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"H" - Y. Kowloon B.C.C. (away), L. J. Silva, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves.  
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## Ching Wing Swimming Gallery

Mr. Law Yuk-wing (coach), and the Misses Chan Woon-king (freestyle champion) and Chan Yuk-king (breast-stroke champion).



## Greater Confidence Placed In Their Sprinters

IT CAME as a great surprise when enquiries revealed that the Ching Wing Union have no particular swimmers to represent them in the middle and long distances. They have several youngsters in the course of being trained, and show great promise so much so that Mr. Law Yuk-wing, coach, thinks they will shortly make a name for the Union.

Take the excellent example of 18-year-old Ching Man-huen, who swam the 440 yards in last Saturday's gala at the European Y.M.C.A. pool. Had May tried, he could have assuredly beaten young Ching by a much greater margin, but that does not minimise the splendid effort of Ching, who swam this race for the first time. He wishes to be a sprinter, and seldom has he swum over 200 yards, the distance prescribed by Law for the sprinters.

Chan Kwok-kwan, another youngster, also has not swum this distance before. Beyond his daily 200 yards to give him stamina for the sprints, he has never swum in practice, least of all in a race, longer distances. He is also to be commended on a splendid performance.

At variance to its sister union, the Lat Tau Union, Ching Wing is noted for male sprinters and female distance swimmers. Perhaps the most famous of them are the Chan sisters, the Misses Chan Woon-king and Chan Yuk-king, and Miss Lo Chai-man.

### WOMEN CHAMPIONS

WOON-KHING is more versatile. Though less famous, than her sister. She swims both short and long distances, and has won the 50 and 400 metres freestyle titles at the 1936 Kwangtung Provincial meet held in Canton. Yuk-king, essentially a breaststroker, was a national champion at the age of 15 years. She "copped" the 200 metres breaststroke title at the 6th National meet held in Shanghai in 1935.

These two well-known girl swimmers have placed themselves under the coaching of Law, and although they have been out of active competition for some time, are fast picking up lost threads, and promise to surpass their former brilliant performances.

### BUDDING CHAMPIONS

DEMURE Miss Ip Chai-man is far from being demure where swimming is concerned. She revels in water, fresh or salt, but she is awfully serious when it comes to training. She does her daily dozen with the boys, and often beats most of them.

Miss Lee Chick-wah is another budding star who assimilates everything Law tells her, and on whom the Ching Wing Union is pinning their hopes this year. She has a fast, slapping arm action, and nice synchronising leg beat, which take her the distance at a fast pace. She has not attempted the middle distances as yet; Law wants her to join his small force of lady sprinters.

Fung Kwai-sung, a fast-rising youngster, was initiated into competitive swimming at the European "Y" gala on Saturday, and came second to his "master", Law Yuk-wing, in the 50 yards freestyle sprint. He possesses a fine, clean, long, earned stroke, but has not sufficient

## Manila's Sports Offer To H.K. Children

The following is an extract from the "Manila Bulletin":

"The Perez Field adjoining San Marcelino and Isaac Peral has been thrown open to Hongkong visitors and their children by the Nomad Sports Club.

"Football, volley balls, basket balls, cricket balls, baseballs (hard and soft), rugger balls, tennis balls and hockey balls have already been donated, but more are still required together with the appropriate bats, sticks, racquets and equipment, so that all the children, including those in Manila, Fort McKinley and Baguio may have every opportunity for exercise.

"If the clerk of the weather does not relent, water polo balls may also be acceptable. Readers are asked to send any sports equipment they can spare to the Manila Club to enable the Nomad Sports Club to collect it and arrange for its distribution."

strength, as yet, to benefit fully by the long-arm pull. He is not satisfied with the 50 yards only, but would like to try the 100 and maybe the 220 yards as well.

A YOUNGSTER who has attracted very little notice so far, but who will spring probably the greatest surprise this season is G. Saunders, who swam a splendid race for the "Y" in the 200 yards relay.

His first lap was terrific, and he was fully expected to overtake Ching Wing's second man on the home stretch. But, on reaching the end of the first lap, he pulled himself up, turned round, and glanced rapidly over the entire field before pushing off, losing, thereby, at least two seconds. Taken in hand, and taught the tricks of starting, the art of the sprint dive and push off, Saunders should prove the season's sensational "find".

## Water Polo Victory For Chung Sing

(By "Ripple")

Chung Sing Bathing Club's water polo team had their pound of flesh, and more, when they trounced Eastern by five goals to one, after being on level terms at the end of the first half, in a return match at Kennedy Town yesterday evening.

Eastern was the faster team, but were overshadowed in positioning, for which Chung Sing excelled. Eastern attacked within the first few minutes, but Cho Chok-wan was unsuccessful. The ball was quickly transferred to the Eastern area by Ng Nin, who outswam Shek Kam-pui to beat Woo Cho-kin with a clever shot bouncing the ball twice before scoring.

Within a few seconds of their scoring Shui Hung-yui received a nice pass from Tommy Kwo to equalise with a lovely backhand shot taken from several yards out. Both goals went through several close shaves without, however, affecting the score.

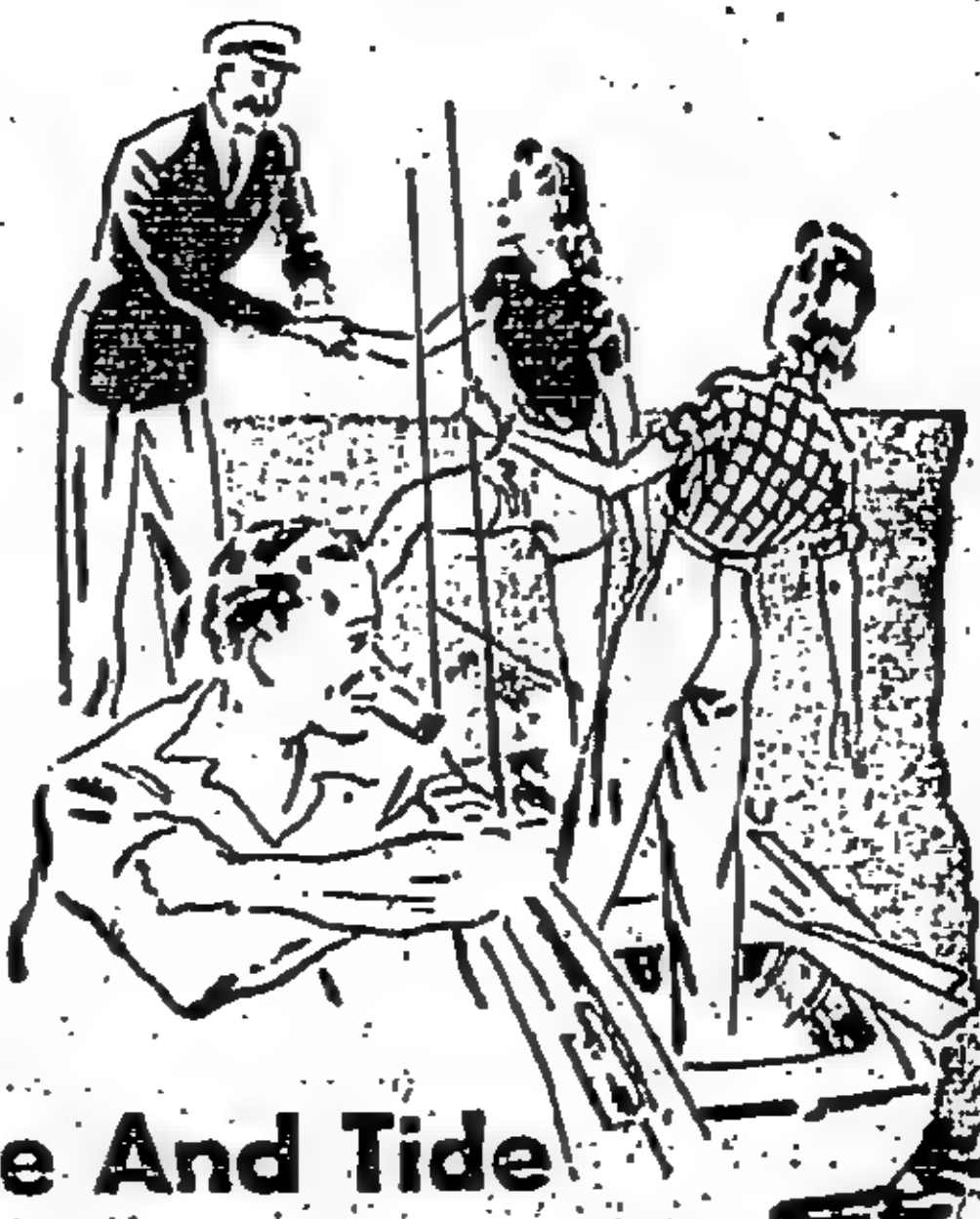
In the second half Eastern appeared to go all to pieces. Ng Nin and Chan Shek-pui having practically clear swims to the goalmouth, which was bombarded incessantly. Cheung Chi-hung gave Chan several nice passes, three of which he made, no mistake in converting from close in, while the final goal came from Ng Nin.

## Time And Tide

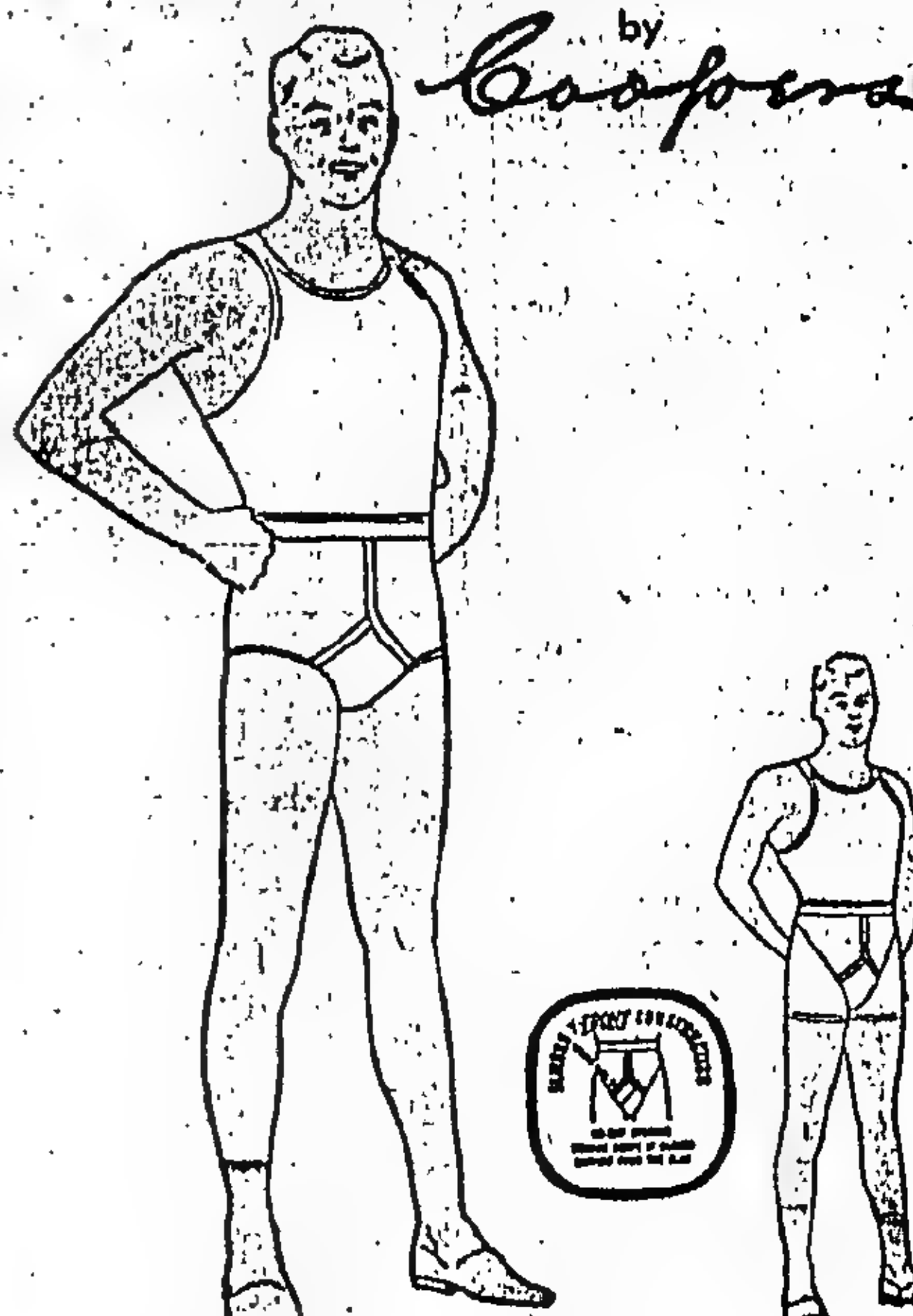
HAS come The Twins at last, unpunctual and charming as ever. Too late to offer them tea, of course, with the hands of the cabin chronometer standing at an uncompromising six-fifteen. And so the visit will develop once again into an informal cocktail party at The Twins have quite possibly foreseen.

Luckily there is still a shot or two of gin in the cabin locker, and a tall bottle of Rose's Lime Juice in a

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## FIGHTING FOR KING & COUNTRY

### What The Phrase Means To-Day

OTTAWA, July 17 (Reuter).—"When we say we are fighting for King and Country, that is not a mere empty phrase," the Earl of Athlone, the new Governor-General of Canada told members of the Canadian Club to-day.

"It means we are fighting to keep intact the keystone of the arch around which the nation's sense and continuous living force revolves—the very heart of our national existence," added the Earl of Athlone.

"Who will deny that such a cause is righteous?"

#### The King's Lead

Recalling his last few weeks in England, during which time he talked with His Majesty almost every day, the Earl of Athlone described how the King was carrying on his war duties, visiting the fighting forces, factories and shipyards, and keeping up the spirits of the men, besides continuing the strenuous affairs of the State.

"This personal interest and encouragement from the King himself cannot fail to bring home to the great army of brothers from every continent in the world, that from the King to the humblest workers, no effort and no fatigue is being spared to bring final success, which has the support of almost every man and woman in all quarters of the globe, if it would dare to confess it."

The Earl of Athlone added that no one realised more than His Majesty the seriousness of the situation and the necessity for unity to carry through this "righteous fight against Nazi despotism and to exterminate it once and for all time."



SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, July 17 (UP).—Authoritative circles to-day confirm that the Finnish Government has accepted the Russian demands to demilitarise the Aaland Islands.

Evacuation of the island's soldiers and war materials commenced early this month and is now nearing completion.

## Dardanelles: No Soviet Proposals

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"As far as Lord Halifax is aware, no proposals have been made by the Soviet Union to the Turkish Government regarding control of the Dardanelles," declares Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a written answer to a Parliamentary question.

## Liquidating Agents

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent learns that M. Paul Morand, Minister Plenipotentiary, has been appointed agent for the liquidation of French economic and commercial affairs in Britain.

The British Government will similarly appoint an agent to the French Government.

## IRELAND'S SCHEME OF DEFENCE

### Guarding Against Nazi Invasion

DUBLIN, July 17 (Reuter).—Eire's scheme for defence against an invasion was described to "Reuter's" special correspondent by a high officer of the Irish General Staff.

This officer said that they had an outer observation fringe on the lines of the old Coast Guards. From points commanding a wide view of the sea, a day and night watch is kept and communications have been installed so as to give immediate notice of any suspicious movements.

They also had a sea patrol of various small craft in wireless communication with the shore and with their fast motor torpedo boats.

Thirdly, they had an air patrol which kept a constant watch.

#### Mobile Army

Eire's army was highly mobile. All infantry was mechanised and in case of danger, the army could be rushed immediately to any threatened point. The army was having a wonderful response to its appeal for recruits, who came from all classes and were the best types they ever had.

The appeal for local defence volunteers resulted in the enrolment of 120,000.

#### Every Man A Volunteer

"Reuter's" special correspondent saw in many districts how keen is the enthusiasm of local defence. Almost every man was a volunteer. Some villages and roads are constantly patrolled to guard against parachutists.

The volunteers are being trained and part of them will form a kind of Landstrum to guard communications and vulnerable points if the army itself is engaged.

Railway sleepers can be seen standing at one end in rows in Phoenix Park in order to hamper aircraft landings and similar precautions have been taken at other aerodromes.

A German attack on Ireland would meet with great difficulties owing to the mountainous nature of the country.

The I.R.A. are now a negligible force and sympathy for Germany was never less.

Bogs and small fields in central Ireland make air landings risky. Ireland's greatest defence asset, however, is the warlike temperament of her people.

The Irish Army is confident in its troops and its General Staff.

## GANGSTERS AT WORK IN EUROPE

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Economic circles in London consider that Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, the German financial expert, is behind the "racket" whereby Germany is transferring her shortages to occupied territories.

Germany is paying the countries, but all the people get in exchange is a claim on the reichsmark balance in Berlin.

Thereby Germany's internal situation could be eased and money could only be used to buy goods from Germany. As there is a shortage in Germany, however, the money is worthless.

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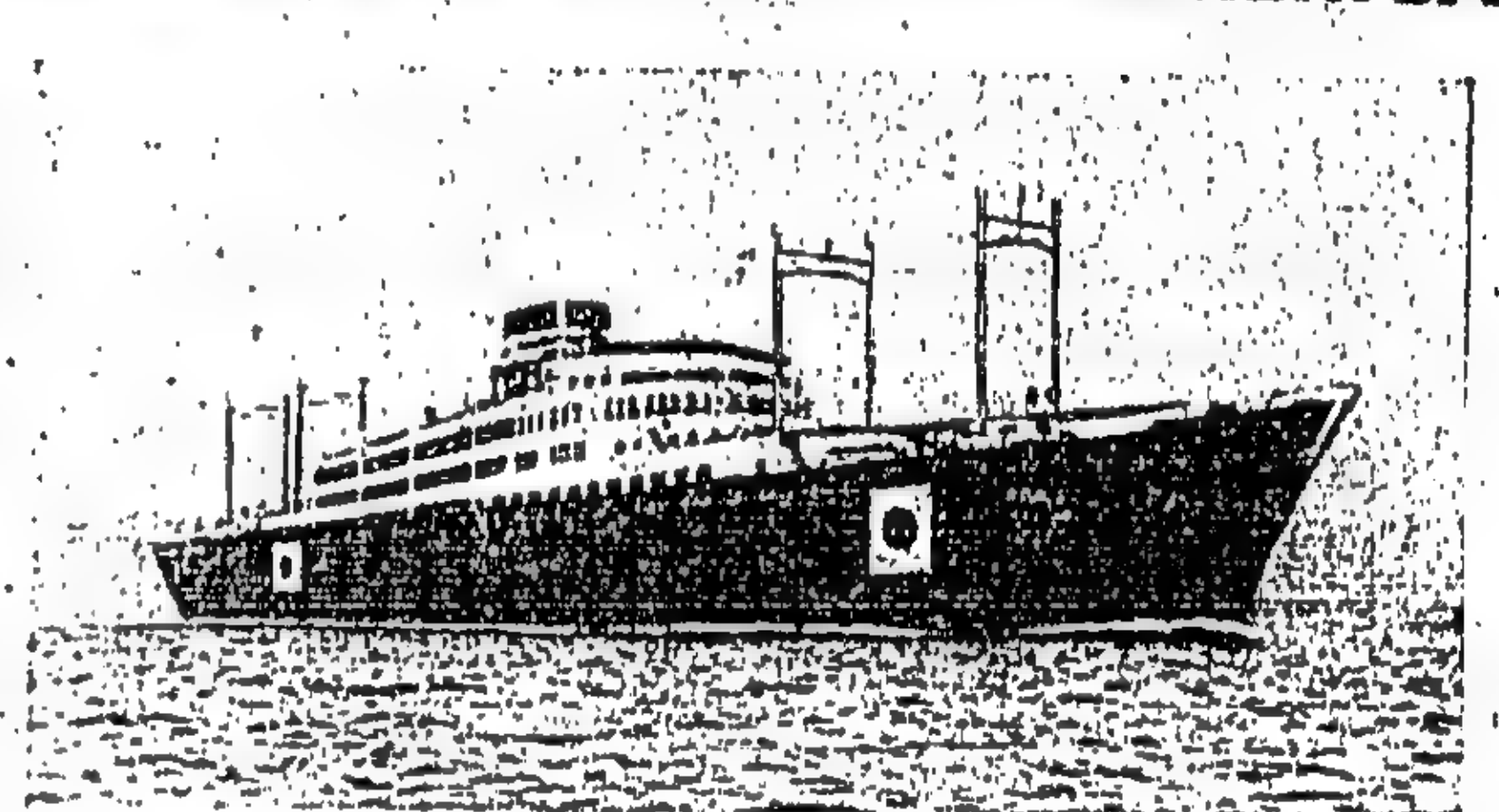
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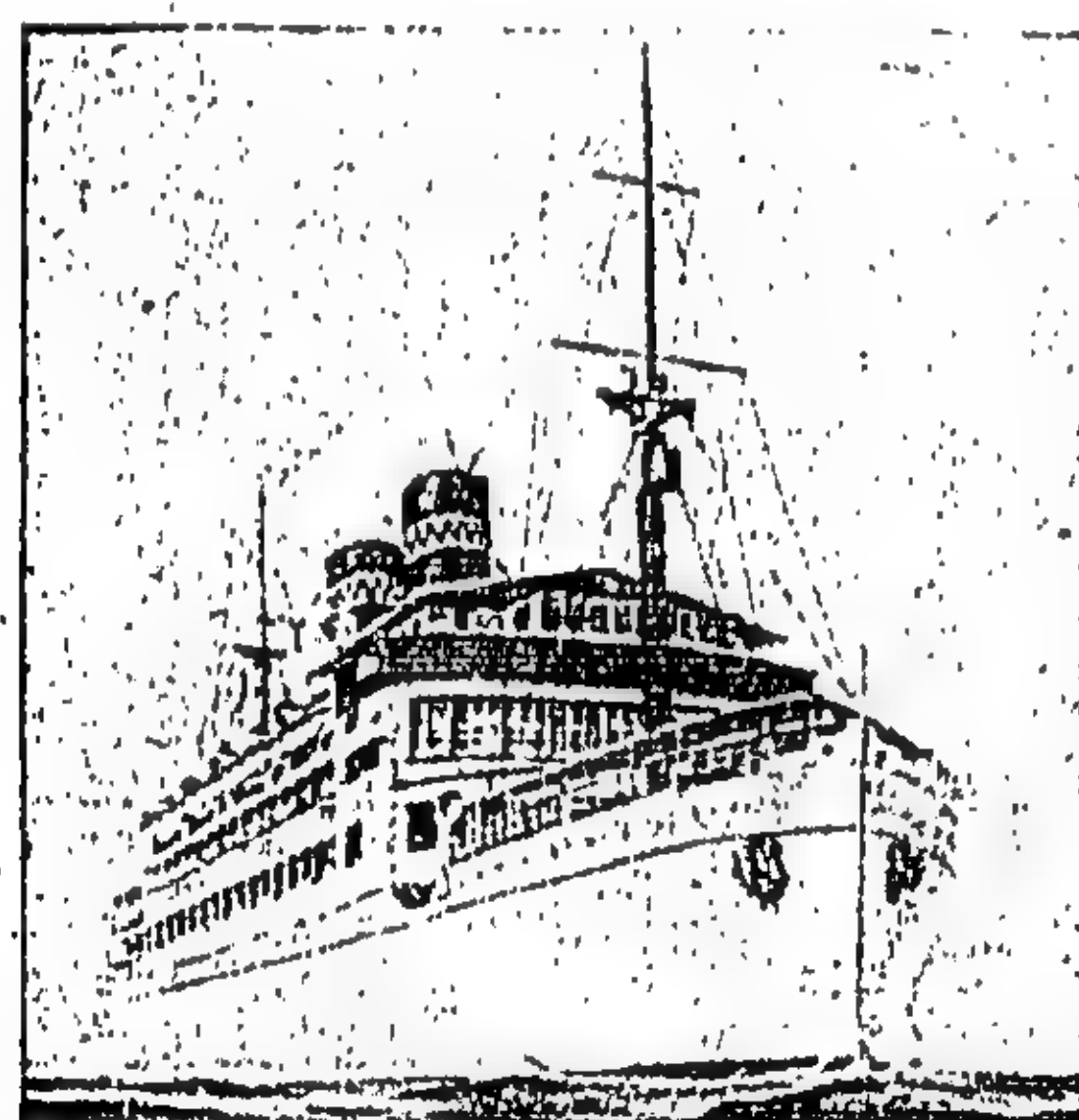
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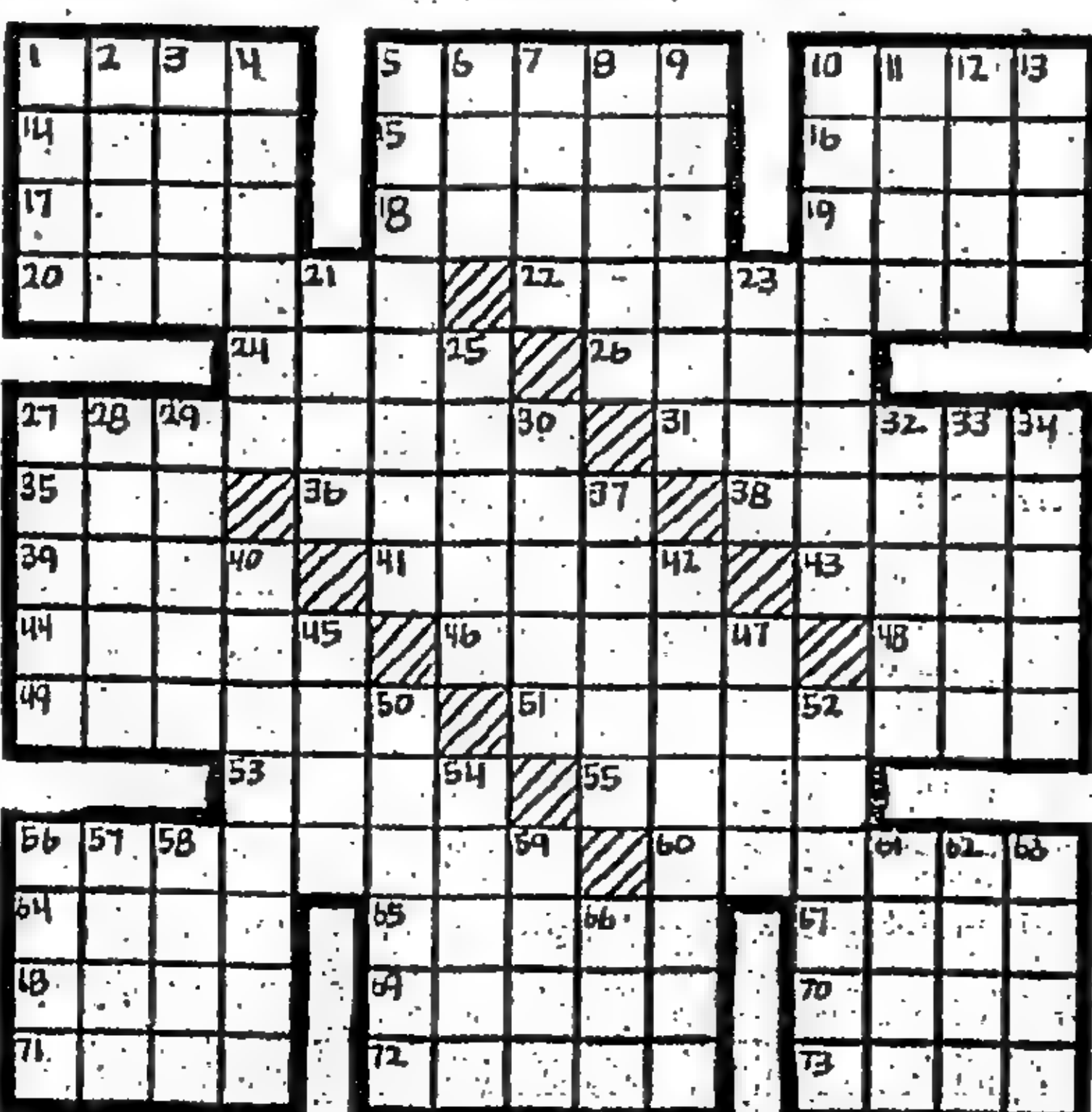
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1-Tropical tree
- 2-Drugged (col.)
- 3-Tormentum
- 4-Substitute for butter
- 5-Decree of the Pope
- 6-Food plant
- 7-Unusually
- 8-Weichia attendance
- 9-Araxes river
- 10-Narrow pass
- 11-Everlasting things
- 12-Meat's germinal
- 13-Tracing stable
- 14-Agreed
- 15-Condensed-milk
- 16-Paint
- 17-Italian city (col.)
- 18-Corse cloth
- 19-Serious
- 20-Fruit
- 21-Liver
- 22-Dead
- 23-Iron
- 24-Knock again
- 25-American humorist
- 26-Scamier
- 27-Pest
- 28-Allowance for waste
- 29-Trying quarrel
- 30-Walled upon
- 31-Attitude
- 32-Litigious part
- 33-Musical
- 34-Operatic song
- 35-Female horse
- 36-Burnt forth
- 37-Lottery

DOWN

- 1-Small body of water
- 2-To shelter side
- 3-Part of plant
- 4-Caviling opinion
- 5-Removed garments
- 6-Geometrical combining form
- 7-Teenager boy
- 8-Prepares for publication
- 9-Trade
- 10-Flag
- 11-Italian city
- 12-Rustian mountain range
- 13-Sea in Antarctica
- 14-Permit use of
- 15-Step of ladder
- 16-Male voice
- 17-Edict
- 18-Intelligence
- 19-Wire high
- 20-Dining car
- 21-Napoleon's general
- 22-Weapon
- 23-Light and fine
- 24-Japanese statesman (pica.)
- 25-learned
- 26-Fortifications
- 27-Accus sea bird
- 28-Fruit
- 29-Buy back
- 30-Land (Latin)
- 31-Weapon
- 32-Kind of duck
- 33-Advantage for receptacle
- 34-Medicine
- 35-Verbal
- 36-Desire
- 37-Transaction
- 38-Unclose





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A few hours later the whole district was agog with the news that Elsayed was the father of the world's second surviving set of quins. And, like the Dionne quins, they were said to be all girls.

Last night Elsayed stood, a protesting father, on the steps of his home vainly trying to persuade a cheering crowd to go home.

"Not Quins," he shouted. "Twins!"

"Eye-witnesses," believed to include the midwife, testified that Elsayed's wife had given birth to quins.

But the harassed father insisted that there were only two—"Quite enough," he declared. And he ought to know.

"Ah," said the superstitious, "the poor man is afraid of the Evil Eye." So there it is. Cairo says Elsayed has quins. Elsayed says twins.

If the Cairo babies are a set of Quins they are the forty-seventh to be recorded. Arturo Guzzoni, authority on births, says twins occur once in 87 births, triplets once in 7,103 quadruplets once in 737,000. He doesn't mention quintuplets. They are too rare.

## COLONY'S TUNG OIL EXPORTS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, July 17 (UP).—The importance to the United States of the China routes through Burma and Hongkong is indicated in a Department of Commerce report that during the month of May, Hongkong exported almost 2,000,000 lbs. of tung oil.

Of this total, 1,090,000 lbs. went to the United States and 249,000 lbs. to Europe.

No statistics are available regarding commerce over the Burma Road.

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The people of Ceylon have sent a fourth sum of 100,000 rupees to Britain for the purchase of another fighter.

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LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The names of 322 dead and 283 missing appear in the first official list of Italian naval losses, according to the Stefani agency.

## U.S. DIPLOMATS GUARDED

Basle, July 17.  
United States diplomats arrived from Holland to-day in a special diplomatic train and proceeded to Geneva. The train was heavily guarded and could not be approached.—United Press.

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## Hitler May Precede Attack with Peace Offer

# BRITAIN READY FOR GERMAN BLITZKRIEG

### READY FOR THE BLITZKRIEG



ALL OVER THE MOTHERLAND, little armies are in training for Hitler's oft-threatened Blitzkrieg invasion. Col. W. M. Tickler, son of the famous T. G. (Plum and Apple) Tickler whose jams were known on every battlefield in the last war, has organised one such local army in the defence of Maldenhead, Berks. These men, trained by military instructors, are given time off from the work each day to enable them to undergo military drill.

### "Golden Opportunity" Cabinet

## Konoye Seeks Complete Identity of Views

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, July 17 (UP).—Prince Konoye, in his first press statement since he became Premier-designate, said that in order to secure complete identity of views regarding the future course to be followed by the new Cabinet, the fundamental principles concerning Japan's foreign and defence policies will be thoroughly discussed among the Foreign, Army and Navy Ministers.

These Ministers will be designated before the formation of the Cabinet is completed.

He said he had no condition or particular desire to impose upon the military. He has asked the outgoing War and Navy Ministers to recommend the most suitable candidate to be designated.

### "Halt! Who Goes There?"

—Sentry to the King

LONDON, July 18, (Reuter).

When the King paid a surprise midnight visit to a munitions factory in southern England last night, his car was stopped by a local defence volunteer who challenged, "Halt! Who Goes There?"

From the driving seat in the big limousine, a uniformed chauffeur answered: "His Majesty the King."

The local defence volunteer peered into the car, recognised the King in an Admiral's uniform, saluted and waved the car on.

The King left his car in darkness and was welcomed to the armaments works by the Minister of Supply, Mr. Herbert Morrison.

The King then set off on a long tour of the workshops and production sheds.

## RUSSIA WILL NOT ENTER THE WAR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, July 17 (UP).—The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" says: "The decisive battle against England is now imminent."

The paper declared that Mr. Churchill's speech last Sunday was "England's decision for suicide."

BERLIN'S "EXPECTANT AIR"

LAUSANNE, July 17 (Reuter).—A strange, expectant air prevails in Berlin, according to a dispatch to the "Tribune de Lausanne" from their Berlin correspondent.

The correspondent records that neutral observers are surprised at the delay in the launching of the offensive against Britain which, it had been announced, would follow immediately on the conclusion of the armistice with France.

The dispatch adds that an expedition against Britain is not a military parade; as time passes, the difficulties of the enterprise appear to be greater than ever.

HITLER TO MAKE OFFER OF PEACE?

MADRID, July 17 (Reuter).—Dispatches from Spanish correspondents in Berlin coincide in the view that Hitler will make a peace offer at the week-end.

Rejection of the offer will probably be followed immediately by an attack against Britain.

Talk of a peace offer was apparently started by an article by Virginio Gayda in Rome but the idea has evidently been fostered in Germany, where the authorities "neither confirm nor deny" the rumours.

BRITISH PRECAUTIONS

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Regional Commissioner for the Eastern Civil Defence Region has issued directions dealing with traffic in the event of an invasion.

Chief Constables are empowered, at the request of the Corps or Divisional Commander, to exclude all traffic from specified roads.

Chief Constables are also empowered to require the immobilisation of vehicles within an area at short notice.

Blitzkrieg Prediction

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., July 17 (UP).

Mr. Harper Sibley, former President of the United States Chamber of Commerce, in a speech to military experts to-day expressed the belief that England could stand only thirty days of the German blitzkrieg.

He predicted that when a truce is reached, it will be between a battered England and an exhausted Germany.

American Aid Urged

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY,

July 17 (UP).—The United States

should send one thousand of its finest pilots to the British Isles "to turn the tide of war", declared Colonel Henry Breckenridge, former Assistant Secretary for War, in a speech here to-day.

"We would rather fight Hitler in the air over Berlin than over New York," he said.

Russia To Stay Neutral

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 17 (UP).—It is

reliably stated that M. Stalin, in his conversations with Ambassador Sir Stafford Cripps, emphasised the Soviet's determination to remain neutral.

It is reported that M. Stalin said that German domination of Europe presented no problem for Russia and he refused to believe that such domination menaces the Soviets.

Air Minister Confident

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The

Air Minister, Sir Archibald Sinclair, in an Empire broadcast, said that any great onslaught on Britain, by air, land or sea will fail.

The sooner we pass from the de-

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## THIS IS WHAT WILL STOP BLITZKRIEG

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is now possible to reveal how R.A.F. bombers have raided and severely damaged one of the most important links in Germany's internal transport system—the Dortmund-Ems Canal, states the Air Ministry news service.

Following the damage caused to German trains and railway junctions by R.A.F. raids, enemy communications were becoming considerably disorganised. To relieve the rail congestion, the German transport authorities began to make increasing use of the elaborate canal system which was already heavily occupied in carrying iron ore and other essential commodities to the Ruhr factories.

Large barges big enough to carry two trainloads of goods were being used in conveying munitions.

Job Well Done

Reconnaissance aircraft flew over the Dortmund-Ems Canal, in particular the double aqueduct where the Canal crosses the River Ems, and photographed its various stretches.

Models of the aqueduct were constructed and picked crews were given

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## TWO ENGLISH KIDDIES DIED IN THIS BED



BELOW the policeman clambering through the window of an eastern England town is a wrecked bed. Half-an-hour earlier Nazi bombers had passed overhead. Bombs were dropped. Mollie, aged 10, and Len, aged 5, the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Len Palmer, were sleeping peacefully in the cot, clutching their dolls. They never heard the shattering crash of the bombs, because they were dead—victims of the arch-murderer in Berlin who once said that he would not make war on women and children. Mrs. Palmer was taken to hospital with both legs broken.

## HONGKONG'S FOOD SUPPLIES PROBLEM

Although Hongkong has succeeded in accumulating a record storage of rice, sufficient to feed the population for three months or more in case of an emergency, it is not so well placed in regard to other foodstuffs. If circumstances are such that regular communications with outside sources of supply are disrupted, the Colony will almost immediately be robbed of many items which make up the daily diet of its citizens.

Important among these articles are beef, pork and fish. Prices, which had steadily risen with the extension of the Sino-Japanese hostilities to these parts, and the greater demand caused by the increase in population, have in recent weeks reached a new high level as the result of the uncertain political situation and greater transportation difficulties.

Variations in Prices

The price of beef, which varied between 25 cents and 30 cents per catty before the Sino-Japanese war, and had this year risen to about double, jumped to \$1 per catty during the Indo-China tension. The price has not gone down very appreciably since.

About 250 heads of cattle are slaughtered daily in Hongkong, or 7,500 per month. The New Territories supply only about 20 to 30 heads daily, the majority being imported from Kwangchowwan, French Indo-China and, to a lesser extent, from Thailand.

Supplies are still coming to Hongkong from these sources, but they have been less on account of transportation difficulties. Moreover, the Chinese authorities have placed a ban on the export of cattle, and this has naturally affected supplies.

It is estimated that, at the rate of 20 to 30 heads each day, Hongkong can rely on the New Territories supply for only two to three months.

Fewer Pigs

About 500 pigs are slaughtered each day in Hongkong. The evacuation has caused a drop of about 100 head daily. Before the European war, with the increased population, Hongkong required between 800 and 1,000 pigs per day.

For its pork, the Colony again has to rely to a large extent on Kwangchowwan, although supplies are also

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## May Be Able To Speak To Our Wives In Manila

The Colonial Secretary has promised to investigate the possibility of allowing the radio-telephone service between Hongkong and Manila to be re-opened, at least temporarily, chiefly in order that husbands in the Colony may speak to their evacuated families.

Equipment Available

The suggestion was first raised in a letter to the "Hongkong Telegraph" and the technical authorities were approached. They said that the equipment was still available for the service which had been arbitrarily closed down on orders of the Imperial Government on the outbreak of war. The cable officials were of the opinion that a system of control could be devised to enable the radio-telephone to remain in operation between here and Manila.

The Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North was approached on the subject and he explained that the difficulty of censoring telephone conversations was responsible for the closing of the service. It was possible that some censorship could be devised, at least for the purpose of meeting the present request.

LATEST

## ROOSEVELT NOMINATED

CHICAGO, July 18 (Reuter).—The Democratic Party convention has nominated Roosevelt for a third term.

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## ISOLATION PLATFORM

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5.—The direction and aim of foreign policy will continue to be the security and defence of the United States and the maintenance of its peace.

6.—Aid to beleaguered Democracies so far as the laws permit and subject to the limitations regarding keeping American forces in this Hemisphere.

The defence plank read, "Weakness and unpreparedness invite aggression. We must be so strong that no possible combination of powers would dare attack us. We propose to provide America with an invincible air force, a navy strong enough to protect and defend national interests, and a fully equipped army. We shall co-ordinate these implements of defence with the necessary extension of productive capacity and with the training of appropriate personnel."

"Outstanding leaders of industry and labour have already been enlisted by the Government to harness the mighty economic forces for national defence. The experience of other nations gives warning that total defence is necessary to repel attack. Partial defence is no defence."

### Respect Nominations

CHICAGO, July 17 (UP).—Mr. Franklin Delano Roosevelt has been placed in the Democratic Convention's nomination for the presidential election.

The Democratic Party has also adopted the Convention platform.

### Foreign Policy Issue

CHICAGO, July 18 (Reuter).—The Democratic platform declares that the American people are determined that the war raging in Europe and Asia shall not come to America.

"We will not participate in foreign wars and will not send the Army, Navy and the Air Force to fight in foreign lands except in case of attack."

"We must be so strong that no possible combination of powers dare to attack us. The experience of other nations gives warning of the total defence necessary to repel an attack and that partial defence is no defence."

### Donunciation

"We denounce and will do our utmost to destroy the treacherous activities of disguised anti-democratic and un-American agents."

"To ensure that our armaments shall be implements of peace, we shall continue the traditional good-neighbour policies, to observe the rights of others and for treaty obligations, cultivate trade and foster economic collaboration with the republics of the Western Hemisphere."

In self-defence and good conscience the world's greatest democracy cannot afford heartlessly, or in a spirit of appeasement, to ignore peace-loving peoples wantonly attacked by ruthless aggressors."

### Pledge To Aid The Attacked

We pledge ourselves to extend to these peoples all material aid at our command, consistent with the law and not inconsistent with the interests of our own national self-defence, all to the end that peace and international good faith may yet emerge triumphant."

The "platform" is a 4,000 word document. The subsequent pages are devoted mainly to domestic policies, reaffirmation of the present farm programme pledges to continue the enforcement of fair wages standards, and recommends the calling of a national unemployment conference.

Promising that the Party will continue to attack the unbridled concentration of economic power, it aims a blow at Mr. Wendell Willkie the Republican nominee in the declaration that the "nomination of a utility executive" as a Republican candidate raised squarely whether national water power shall be used for the people or for the selfish interests of the few.

"We accept that this," adds the document.

## EIRE'S LATEST PRECAUTION

DUBLIN, July 17 (Reuter).—The Eire Government will make an order under the Emergency Power Secret Act providing for "continuous performance of duties of the Prime Minister, for the removal of a Minister from the Government if that person is unable to fulfil his functions owing to an emergency and for the appointment of a successor."

The order provides that, if for any reason during the emergency the Prime Minister is unable to perform his duties, they would be automatically undertaken by the Deputy Prime Minister.

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## KONOYE SEEKS IDENTITY VIEWS

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didates for their successors in order to bring about "full co-operation between the Government and the military."

He said he would strive to establish a full Cabinet instead of a small select group and denied that he would handle the foreign affairs portfolio although he was unable to name the Foreign Minister at present.

### Cabinet Appointments

TOKYO, July 18 (UP).—Prince Konoze has chosen Yosuke Matsuoka, former President of the South Manchuria Railway as Foreign Minister and Lieutenant Hideki Tojo, former Inspector of General Military Aviation as War Minister.

Vice Admiral Zengo Yoshida is remaining as Minister of the Navy.

### First Appointments

TOKYO, July 18 (Reuter).—Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka has been appointed Foreign Minister; Lieut. General Eiko Tojo, Inspector-General of Aviation, is made War Minister; and Vice-Admiral Yoshida remains Navy Minister in the new Japanese Cabinet.

On the basis of conferences with these three Ministers regarding the platform of foreign relations, national defence and other supreme policies, the Cabinet posts by suitable personalities in the next three or four days.

There is every indication that the Cabinet is definitely rightist with a mission to renovate Japanese policy and to build up strong armaments.

According to the "Asahi Shimbun," the War Minister, General Hata, has planned to Prince Konoze that his resignation was based on "the passionate desire of military circles for strengthening the political structure."

It is generally conceded that the Army will dominate the Konoze Cabinet's policies.

### Voted Premier

OSAKA, July 18 (Reuter).—Prince Konoze, leader of the new Single Party Movement and former President of the Privy Council, was unanimously recommended for the Premiership by a conference of senior statesmen called by Marquis Kido, Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal.

The latter had been requested by the Emperor to recommend a candidate for the post.

The senior statesmen included Prince Konoze, Baron Wakatsuki, Baron Hiranuma (recently Premier), Admiral Okada, Doctor Hara (President of the Privy Council), General Hayashi and Koki Hirota, the former Premier.

It is understood, however, that Prince Konoze observed that a statesman more familiar with the circumstances of military services would be better suited for the Premiership than himself.

The unanimous choice of the statesmen was immediately communicated to Prince Salenko, last of the Genro, who is residing at his villa at Okitsu.

When the Emperor returned to Tokyo at 5 p.m., it is believed that Marquis Kido recommended Prince Konoze.

After the statesmen's conference, Prince Konoze conferred with Koki Hirota.

### Chungking Air Mail Continues

CHUNGKING, July 18 (Reuter).—The airmail and passengers service between Chungking and Hanoi is continuing.

The Post Office announced that a plane leaves Chungking for Rangoon every Sunday via Kunming, while a Chungking-bound machine leaves Rangoon every Monday.

The aeroplane for Hanoi leaves Kunming every Monday morning and will return the same afternoon.

### Business Dead In Kunming

CHUNGKING, July 17 (Reuter).—Business is at a standstill in Kunming owing to the situation in Indo-China.

Authoritative French quarters deny reports that the situation in the French colony is not under control.

The passenger and mail traffic between Hanoi and Kunming is normal.

### HAPPY VALLEY GOLF

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in		
			N.	S.	E.	W.	Sq. Feet.	Acres.	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
1	New Kowloon Lot No. 214.	College Road adjoining New Lot No. 212.					about 32,000	0.74	\$14,000

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			N.	S.	E.	W.	
			feet	feet	feet	feet	
2	New Kowloon Lot No. 214.	Cattle Peak Road between Wing Lung Street and Tonkin Street, Chung Sha Wan.	as per sale plan.				about 43,500

## THIS WILL STOP BLITZKRIEG

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special instructions on the method of attack.

Bombs were duly dropped and subsequent photographic reconnaissances revealed the success of the attack. Barges could be seen high and dry in the mud. The aqueduct was unusable and the Canal was empty where a few days earlier photographs had shown 20 large barges on one short stretch of the Canal.

### Naxos Hide Damage

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—According to reports received from the Dutch frontier areas by the "Anep" agency, a deep impression has been created among the inhabitants of western Germany by the R. A. F. bombing, the effect of which is clearly visible in the Dutch side of the frontier.

The Germans are reported to be endeavouring to hide the results of the bombings from the Dutch people who recently were forbidden to visit, after dark, the hills near Arrhem with a view into Germany.

Another indication of the dislocation caused by the raids is the serious disorganisation of rail and road traffic between Germany and the Netherlands. Trains bound for Germany have returned to the starting point because the rail tracks and marshalling yards were broken up.

Alternative lines were used but shortly after the first trains had left, the new point of departure was thoroughly bombed, indicating that the R.A.F. is well-informed as well as accurate.

## G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Hung Hom, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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			R.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	Sq. Feet	Acres	Upset Price
3	Hung Hom Block 12 38, 41.	Window Street, Hung Hom, adjoining Hung Hom Block Lot No. 241.	feet	feet	feet	feet	feet	about 800	1.80	\$1,800
			sq. per sale plan.							

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college; a criminal record is a pedigree; a burglar alarm, a bug; and a policeman's star, a buzzer.

One who betrays his companions to the police for remuneration or under duress is a louse, a rat, a but carrier, a heel, a stool pigeon (usually simply stool), or a wensel, and is said to give up, do a solo, to squeal, to beef, to stool, or to sing. When an officer arrests a hoodlum he is said to swamp, to collar, or to nail him.

The pickpocket, the bank robber, the boot-legal, the automobile thief, and the gambler each have developed an argot used in their particular profession, rich in originality and characterised by elements of secrecy and intimacy.

—Brownlee Haydon

### U-BOAT SUNK IN ATLANTIC

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—With many of the crew standing on deck in surrender, an ocean-going U-boat sank in the south Atlantic recently after being twice bombed by a Sunderland flying boat of the Royal Australian Air Force attached to the Coastal Command.

Four bombs burst while the submarine was at periscope depth. The submarine then came to the surface and the Sunderland scored a direct hit.

The men streamed out of the conning tower while the U-boat sank beneath them.

The survivors were picked up by a naval sloop.

## STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES FALL

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Stock Exchange prices declined today owing to the imminence of the Budget, but losses were only small, as no selling pressure was anywhere visible.

Gilt-edged holdings finished unchanged to one-eighth lower. Industrials were mixed and Japanese bonds were hesitant on the Far Eastern situation.

Say Raids More Serious Than Shown

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BOSTON, July 17 (UP).—Members of the crew of the Dutch freighter Zypheberg, which is loading scrap iron for England, declared today that the German aerial bombings of British ports is much more serious than newspaper reports indicate.

They said all the wharves at Plymouth, Pembroke and Cardiff have been destroyed.

Entering the residence of Mr. E. Stone, 8 Observatory Villas, by removing a pane of glass from the verandah window yesterday, a thief stole 12 silver spoons valued at \$10 from the dining room cupboard.

## British Defence Force Parades

TIENTSIN, July 17, (Reuter).—The new Auxiliary Defence Force (Special Constables), which was recently organised, made its first appearance this evening when about 70 men paraded for the first time and were inspected by Mr. James Turner, Chairman of the British Municipal Council.

Members of the new unit are exclusive Britons. The oldest member, Jack Burton, 67, was decorated in the Boer War.

A large number of spectators watched the parade.

## Intent To Murder Charge, Remand

As Prison Officer E. S. Franks was still in Hospital, a further remand of one week was made by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistracy this morning when Li Chan-lam, 29, a prisoner, appeared on a charge of wounding Mr. Franks with intent to murder him in Hongkong Prison, Stanley, on June 20.

Li was further charged with wounding Mr. Franks with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. Det. Inspector W. N. Darkin prosecuted.

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## BRITAIN READY FOR BLITZKRIEG

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fensive to the offensive the sooner will the war be won.

He added that since the beginning of this month, a total of 105 enemy aircraft had been brought down while Britain lost 24 in defence against them.

There had scarcely been one hour in a single day that we had not carried the war into the enemy's territory and we had reason to believe that the material damage to the German war industry and communications were very heavy.

Enemy's Preponderance

The enemy still has a preponderance of air power, presenting a threat which, although we regard it without dismay, remains a serious one. It is certain that we shall have to withstand an attack from the air on a scale many times greater than that already met.

However, the enemy was only able to inflict negligible damage. We had not been content with staying off the enemy attacks. The R.A.F. had put into effect the plans worked out with utmost thoroughness for the systematic destruction of military objectives vital to the enemy war effort.

"We are hitting Germany hard and are going on hitting," said the Air Minister.

Vast Enemy Coastline

Referring to the vast enemy coastline, Sir Archibald said that Germany may start an invasion of Britain not only from German bases but from Norway. Or he may come out of the Dutch canals and harbours of Belgium or northwards from the coast of France.

All these places of assembly have been watched in addition to the never-ceasing aerial warfare.

Sir Archibald paid high tribute to the work of Canadian, Australian and New Zealand pilots and stressed the invaluable nature of the provision of training space in the Dominions for building up an air force greater in numbers than the German force.

Blitz Went Wrong

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—A message from Istanbul says that Hitler's time-table in the present war appears to be upset by Britain's firm stand.

German diplomats in Turkey who predicted with reasonable accuracy the date of the German entry into Paris and the French capitulation, were last week giving Monday as the date for the invasion and occupation of a portion of Britain by German troops.

Now that this date was passed with no sign of Hitler's invasion, the Germans are now talking instead of the Fuehrer's peace plans.

HONGKONG FOOD SUPPLY PROBLEM

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obtained from Wanchow and the East River district and the New Territories.

The ban on export of cattle as well as lack of transportation has seriously affected the supply from Kwangchowwan. Whereas formerly ships arrived in Hongkong daily from the south with cargoes of pigs, at the present time not more than 1,000 pigs are landed here from this source per week.

N.T. Supplies

The New Territories supply about 100 pigs daily, and the same number, more or less, is obtained from Chinese territory. Sometimes, supplies from Chinese territory are interrupted as the result of Japanese operations. Dealers bringing pigs into Hongkong from adjoining areas run great risks, and can never be certain that they will not be stopped on the way by the Japanese and have their cargo seized.

The present price of pork is about \$1 per catty. A few weeks ago, the price soared to \$1.60 per catty. Before the Sino-Japanese war, it was about 40 cents.

Problem Of Fish

Hongkong's daily consumption of fish, both of the freshwater and salt-water varieties, is, on an average, 250 piculs. The average price per catty at this time is about 35 cents, which is practically three times above the average price prevailing before the Sino-Japanese war, and double the price at this time last year.

The local fishing industry has suffered to a tremendous extent as a result of Japanese activities. The greater part of the fishing fleet has been destroyed, and those fishermen who still maintain their livelihood face immense difficulties.

Not only has this source of supply been reduced, but supplies of freshwater fish from Canton, Kowloon and other districts are also now quite limited. Fish supplied from these areas were formerly shipped direct to Hongkong, but the closure of shipping routes has made it necessary for supplies to be first sent to Macao, where they are re-shipped to this Colony, thus increasing the ultimate cost to the consumer.

Auxiliary Vessel Lost Off Norway

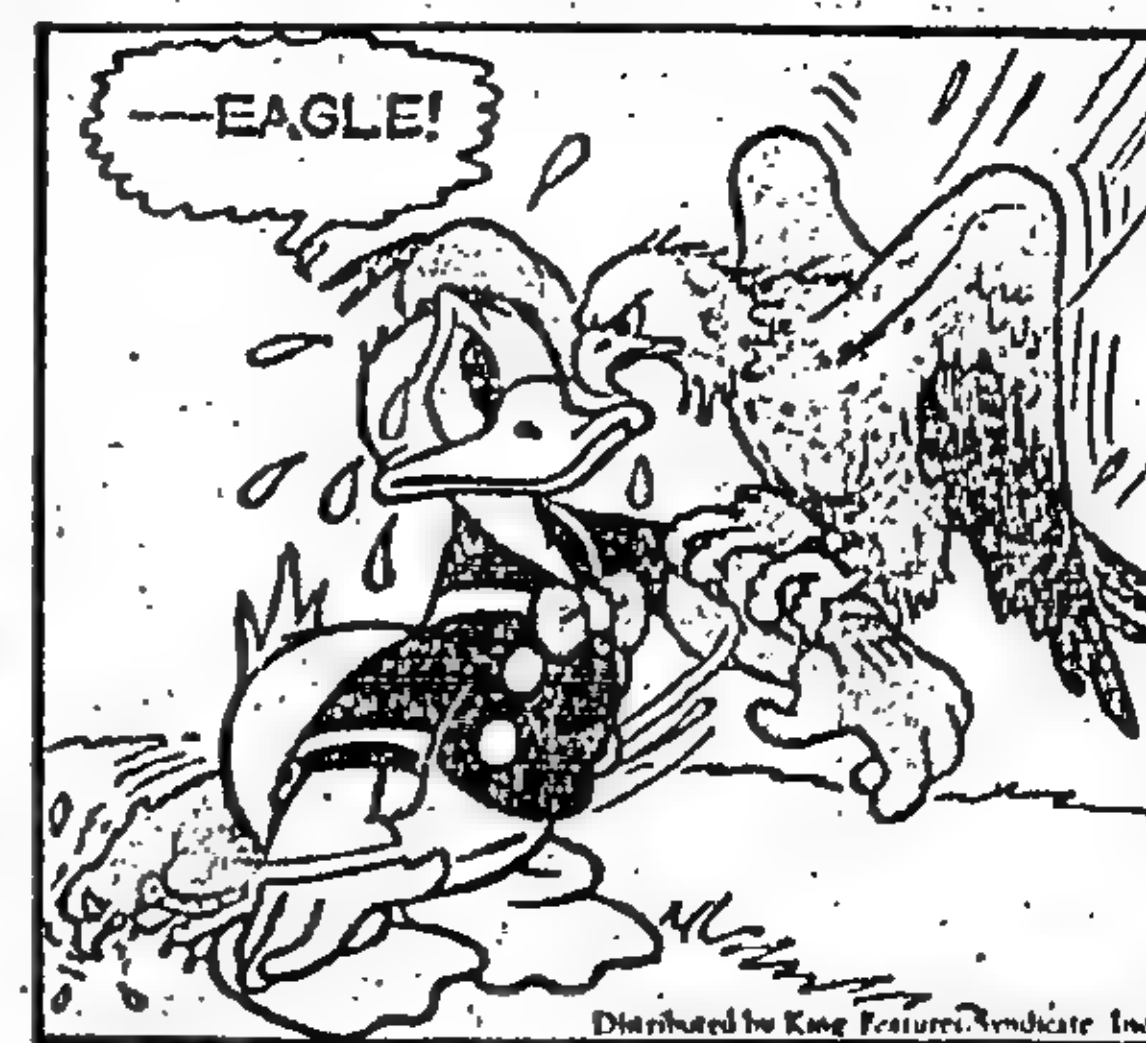
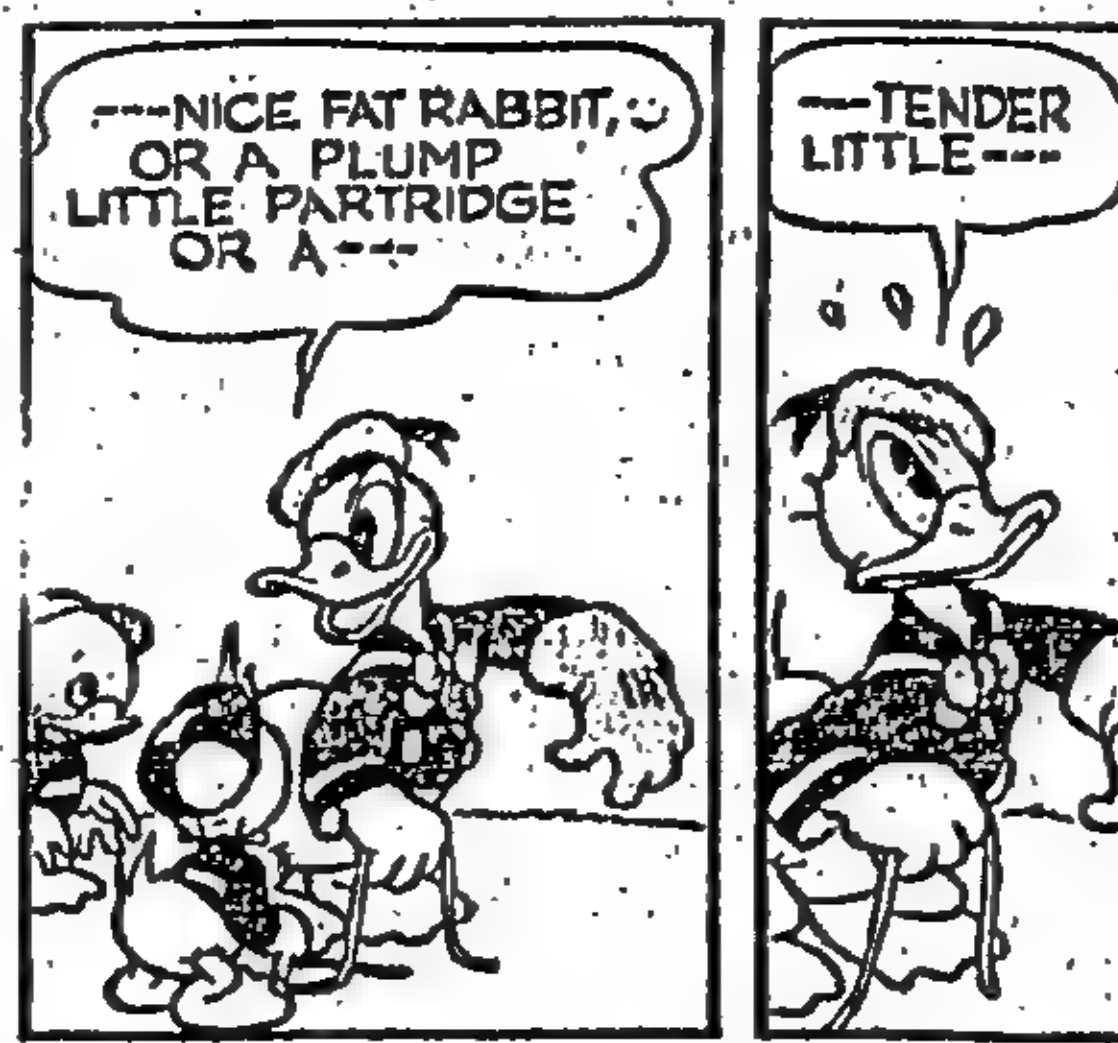
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, July 17 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that the naval auxiliary vessel Van Dyck was sunk during an aircraft attack off the Norwegian coast on June 10.

Two officers and five ratings were killed and 23 officers and 132 ratings were taken prisoner.

H.M.S. Van Dyck was a vessel of 13,000 tons. She was formerly a Lampart-Holt liner, and is the fifth armed-merchantman sunk in the war. The other four were the Rawalpindi, Carinthia, Scotstoun and Andania.



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## Ford Factories' War Work For Britain

### Illuminating Facts Revealed In Official Statement

Mr. Henry Ford issued a statement recently in which he declared that his decision not to build airplane engines for other than the defence of the United States in no way affects the policies of Ford Companies in Canada, England and other empire countries.

The Ford Motor Company of Canada, Ltd., at Windsor, Ontario, and other Ford Plants located in the British Empire are using their facilities to the utmost for the production of military equipment for the defence of the British Empire.

"They are serving their people as they should do, and as I would do if permitted and if occasion required. I am against war in any form. I have no animosity against any people of any race or nation whatsoever. I shall be glad when wars will cease all over the world."

#### President's Statement

A statement released by Mr. Wallace Campbell, President of the Ford Motor Company of Canada Ltd., reads:

"At the outbreak of war I assured the Canadian Government that Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited, would make all its facilities available for the production of essential war supplies. We have done that. I am proud of the Ford position in Canada in a telegram to Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply."

"All the facilities, resources, manpower and equipment of the Canadian Ford Company and the overseas affiliated Ford Companies in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India and Malaya are now making, and have been making, every possible contribution to the defence of the British Empire and the successful prosecution of the war," said Mr. Campbell.

On receiving reports of the debate on Ford in the House of Commons Mr. Campbell discussed the matter with Henry Ford personally.

"Mr. Ford realized fully that all the industrial resources of a nation at war automatically become available in the defence of the country in which they are located. In his statement to the press Mr. Ford said that Ford companies in the British Empire are serving their people as they should do," Mr. Campbell said.

#### Well Fitted For Work

Mr. Campbell explained that the Canadian Ford plant is particularly well-fitted for the production of the mechanical motorized transport used so extensively by modern armies. Even before war was declared, on request of the Canadian Government, we laid the ground work for military production. Since the beginning of the war nothing has been left undone to produce as quickly as possible equipment specified by the government.

"More than 50 per cent of the production in our Windsor plant consists of vehicles for military use. This percentage is rapidly increasing. We are supplying the British Empire with a total of approximately 35,000 of these units. Of this total nearly 10,000 are for the Canadian Government, and 25,000 are for use by other Empire countries such as South Africa, Australia and India," Mr. Campbell said.

He also revealed that the Canadian plant is being rapidly toolled for the production of military transport carriers. These will be supplied to the Canadian Government 50 a week when production gets into full swing within the next few months.

#### What Ford Is Supplying

"We have a number of men with special training and qualifications useful to the government in war work. These men are working with the Department of National Defence in Ottawa and in England," Mr. Campbell revealed.

"At this time I believe that Canadian people are interested in knowing the extent of Ford military production," said Mr. Campbell, and he listed the various types of equipment

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## K.R.A. Meeting LANDLORDS AND THE EVACUATION

Several landlords on the mainland have reduced flat rents by more than half since the evacuation, said members of the Kowloon Residents' Association at the monthly committee meeting last Wednesday.

The committee was discussing the hardship caused to some residents whose families had left and who could not pay the normal rent and maintain their families abroad at the same time.

The association, recording its appreciation of this action by some landlords, decided that the problem would be solved if landlords generally took the same action.

The committee decided to urge the government to consider the question of regular and adequate street cleaning. Water vehicles were being purchased for A.R.P. uses, it was pointed out.

The lack of a bus waiting shed outside the Kowloon Hospital was criticised. The committee re-affirmed that the responsibility belongs to the Government as the shelter was needed for outpatients some of whom had to stand in rain or sun waiting for a bus when ill.

The committee will ask the Government to arrange better supervision of the Chatham Road and Cox's Road children's playgrounds.

The Director of Medical Services has written to the association asking them to appoint a representative to discuss with him the procedure for patients seeking treatment at Kowloon Hospital. Mr. C. E. Terry was appointed.

**Telephone Charges**

In a letter on May 30 1939, the Colonial Secretary promised that the question of telephone charges in the Kowloon-Tong area would be included in the discussions with the Telephone Company regarding the revision of the Company's franchise. As this revision had already been granted, it was decided to ask the Colonial Secretary what had been arranged.

Those present at the meeting were: Mr. Lum Ming Fan, President; Mr. F. C. Mow Fung, Hon. Secretary; Mr. R. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer; Dr. G. Kirkby-Gomes, Messrs. D. W. Munton, N. Murray, R. Pestonji, K. A. da Silva, D. O. Silver, and B. Wyllie.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. G. V. T. Marshall, Hon. Mr. L. D'Almeida e Castro, Rev. J. R. Higgs, Major C. M. Manners, Lieut. Col. E. D. Matthews, Miss R. Mow Fung, and Mr. C. E. Terry.

The resignation from the Committee of Miss H. D. Sawyer, who evacuated from the Colony on the 5th, was recorded with regret.

The financial statement submitted by the Hon. Treasurer showed that the funds of the Association had been considerably depleted during the past month, the payments including a donation of \$1,000 to the "S. C. M. Post Ltd.—War Fund." He reported the enrolment of one new member.

## Frightened By Nazis Spain Sees Threat On Her Border

GIBRALTAR, July 17 (Reuters).—According to reliable information reaching here from Spain, there are signs everywhere that now that the Germans are at their very doors, the Spaniards are becoming thoroughly frightened.

It appears that when the Germans arrived at Hendaye, the Spanish authorities on the frontier received them with considerable ceremony and German soldiers off duty were allowed to wander more or less at will about the town.

A German motorised column, arranged to take place at San Sebastian, was suddenly cancelled without any reason given.

**Significant Move**

Another significant fact was the replacement of General Yague, a mild pro-German, by General Vigon, who is noted for his moderation, as Minister for Air.

It is believed that the Germans have about 40,000 men at the frontier. This does not represent a force strong enough for any violation of Spanish territory, but there are doubtless bigger forces behind them.

## "I Do Not Envy Hitler's Invaders"—"Reuter"

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" special correspondent who has toured the defences of Britain declares: "I do not envy Hitler's army if it ever does attempt to march through this land of nowhere, which is Britain to-day, especially if the weather is bad."

"Steps taken to defend every village, every town and every city in accordance with Mr. Churchill's assurance represent an impressive record of high speed endeavour. Sentries and look-outs stand on guard along the coasts ready for the fiercest battle of the beaches in history."

"Should an invading force come out of the morning mists cutting through the protecting screens of the navy and the R.A.F. and succeed in making landings here, they will come face to face with regiments of an army ordered to fight to the last man."

"Anything that Hitler lands will meet with a hot reception. They will have to cut through a thick curtain of heavy and light gunfire. The system of pillboxes and other strong points has turned the whole coastline into a permanent version of the Martello Tower defence which met the threat of invasion from Napoleon."

"Behind are the grim lines of the khaki-beach defences. Strategically placed, they are ready to deal with light tanks."

"The navy is fully prepared and eager for the fray, and the R.A.F. await the outcome with tremendous optimism, though all of the R.A.F. have no illusions about the bigger number of aircraft they may be called upon to meet."

"The R.A.F. have supreme confidence in themselves and in their superior aircraft. There is a growing belief that the Germans are beginning to feel the strain of sustained loss of pilots."

"The pilot of one German bomber recently brought down was only aged 17, with a total of 50 hours flying to his credit."

## Fine Words But—

VICHY, July 17 (Reuter).—The Foreign Minister, M. Paul Baudouin, in a statement to a Swiss newspaper in support of French policy, said that the national revolution had been freely made.

"We are not caving our conquerors and do not aim at pleasing them. We shall adopt French solutions suited to our temperament and traditions. "Soon, new relations will be instituted between the two peoples, and there will be new conceptions of life based on authority, order and obedience."

"Our foreign policy will be conducted along the lines of this regime. Different states have a need of each other. We must exchange goods with Germany and Italy as we shall with Britain when she has returned to a juster understanding of France."

## BULGARIA AND RUMANIA

SOFIA, July 17 (Reuter).—The Bulgarian Government has made representations through diplomatic channels to the Rumanian Government with regard to the treatment of the Bulgarian minority in southern Dobruja.

It is understood that this step was taken following the return of detachments of the Rumanian Army into southern Dobruja.

The Rumanian troops were withdrawn from the disputed region about three weeks ago but in the past five days have re-occupied the province.

## SWITZERLAND'S RAID ALARM

GENEVA, July 17 (UP).—Switzerland had its first air raid alarm since the Franco-German armistice to-day. On the warning sirens were sounded at 1.52 p.m. and the All Clear was not given until 2.14 p.m. There is no explanation.

## Unidentified Bombers Attack Gibraltar

LA LINEA, July 16 (UP).—Unidentified planes carried out two brief raids at 1.20 p.m. and 5.40 p.m. to-day. All the bombs fell into the sea while anti-aircraft batteries from the land and warships fired fruitlessly. The planes disappeared in a southerly direction.

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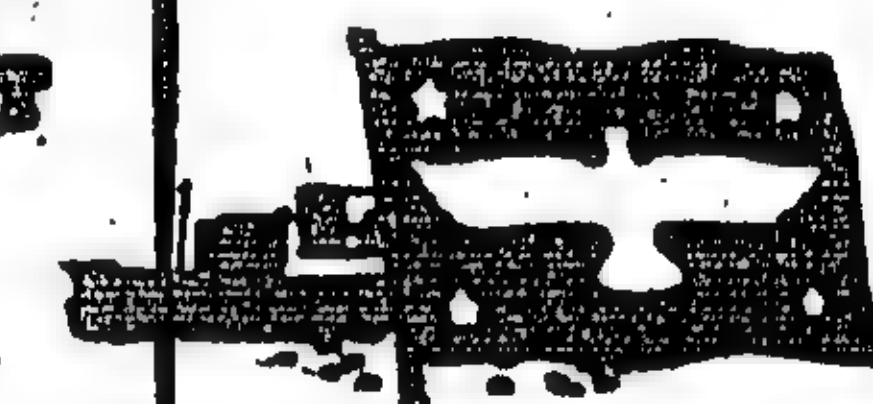
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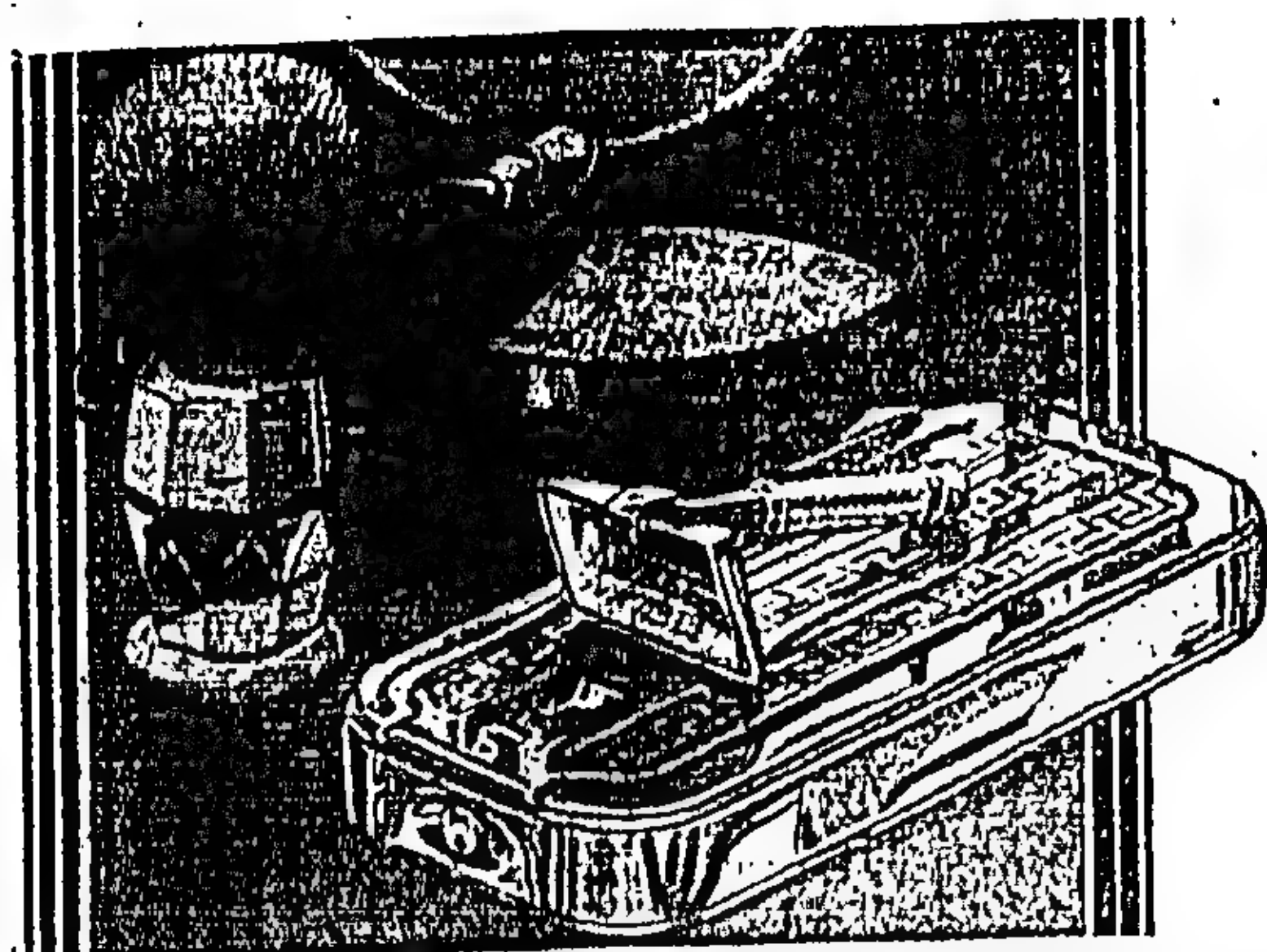
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## BRITONS WORKING TOO LONG IN WAR FACTORIES

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in a speech in London to-day, deplored the serious loss to the nation during the war caused by continual neglect during the past years of skilled men and women.

He estimated that if sufficient skilled workers had been available, he could have placed another 250,000 women into work very quickly.

He added, however, that the Government intended to utilise the services of both men and women to the utmost extent.

### Overworking

Mr. Bevin said his appeal to the workers had had a remarkable response. Young people were working 70 to 80 hours a week.

It is now evident that they had been working too long and production consequently is declining. It was, therefore, intended to restore the Factory Acts, regulating the hours in order to get maximum production without injuring the health of the workers.

He concluded that our first great object is to win the war and we are going to win it.

## Dardanelles: No Soviet Proposals

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"As far as Lord Halifax is aware, no proposals have been made by the Soviet Union to the Turkish Government regarding control of the Dardanelles," declares Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a written answer to a Parliamentary question.

## Liquidating Agents

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—"Reuters" diplomatic correspondent learns that Mr. Paul Morand, Minister Plenipotentiary, has been appointed agent for the liquidation of French economic and commercial affairs in Britain. The British Government will similarly appoint an agent to the French Government.

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## Looking Backward

Historians make us acquainted with stirring scenes and events of former times in which famous men played their parts. Imagination invests such episodes with an atmosphere like that which the dramatist contrives to surround the lifelike presentations of the stage. The present confers a romantic and dramatic quality upon the picturesque transactions of the past, and future generations will read with keen interest the story of the critical days through which we are now passing. The historians of a generation hence will be able to look at these events in a perspective that is denied to us at the moment and estimate their significance with a better sense of proportion.

Some future Gibbon or Macaulay will comment upon the mental and moral aberrations for which the German people had long been noted. He will trace the steps by which they became the victims of domestic regimentation and later on the slavish tools of ambitious military leaders. He will tell how these adventurers proclaiming themselves the divinely appointed guides and rulers of the "peerless" German race, extinguished the spirit of liberty in that country. He will give a vivid account of the long series of outrages inflicted by Germany upon her neighbours, of the unavailing efforts of the Western Powers in the interest of peace and international justice, and of their decision to take up arms in defence of civilization. All this will be by way of preface or introduction to the historian's pen-picture describing the course of the great conflict.

The historical records to be written after the clash of arms has ceased and the smoke of battle has cleared away will narrate the events that led to the accession to power of Mr. Winston Churchill. The future historian will do full justice to the parts played by Mr. Attlee and the veteran Mr. Lloyd George, and will not fail to record the approval by their fellow countrymen of the dignity

# I ESCAPED FROM GERMANY

MY heart thumped as I lay in my sleeping-compartment on the Berlin-Rome express.

It was midnight. In a few minutes we should steam out of the Brenner station over the border into Italy.

In a few minutes I should be free.

My journey was being made openly. The Nazis believed that I was going to Italy to make a film there.

Only I and a few men who had helped me in Berlin knew that, once across the frontier, I would never return; that I was escaping to join in the fight against the oppressors of my Czech fatherland.

Still, the Gestapo has long ears—and sometimes it likes to play with its prey. Many last minute arrests are made on the frontiers.

I tried not to think of these as I lay and waited.

The Customs Inspector and currency officials had passed my compartment without stopping. Doubtless they knew me as an actor well liked in Berlin. Better not annoy any friend of the leaders!

Voices outside began to shout that everything was ready for departure. Surely it was all right now?

Then I heard my name called in the corridor.

"Herr Stepanek! Where is Herr Stepanek?"

"In there," said the conductor. A knock at the door.

I took a grip on myself, hoped that my trembling hands would not be noticed, and opened the door the caller was a uniformed Nazi frontier guard.

"I am sorry to disturb you, but I have seen you in so many films. Would you please give me an autograph?"

We were well into Italy before my nerves were under control again.

Soon after the occupation of Czechoslovakia, the subject of my nationality began to interest officials in Berlin.

Dr. Proschke, one of Goebbels' aides, was apparently deputed to talk to me about it.

"You ought to take out a German passport," he told me one day at the Ufa studios. You speak the German language as if it were your own. You have made your name in German plays and films. You are popular with the German public. Think it over."

A few weeks later he repeated the suggestion, much more insistently. When I still did nothing Herr Hinkel, the Nazi Commissar for Culture, tried his powers of persuasion upon me.

Somehow the talk was led around to concentration camps. I was told, casually, just how many Czechs had been imprisoned since the Occupation.

It was a dilemma from which I could extricate myself only by dangerous moves. It meant bribing Nazi officials—and, although bribery is rife in Berlin to-day, I could not be sure that the corrupt Nazis who took my money would not immediately betray me.

I do not want the men who helped me to be sent to a concentration camp. I finally contacted a high police official and, step by step, carefully tested his feelings.

Two days later, I received from him a German passport—and I still retained my Czech papers.

I found a Nazi doctor who confirmed that my health was bad. He

and manly frankness of Mr. Chamberlain, and the gravity and courage with which Mr. Churchill undertook his formidable task in a situation of peril, as said by Mr. Lloyd George, without any parallel in our long history.

Karl Stepanek, one of Germany's most popular actors, recently escaped to Britain from Berlin and is telling the full story of wartime Germany. Stepanek is a Czech by birth, and lived in Germany for ten years. He was often a personal guest of Hitler's. To-day he tells the thrilling story of his journey to London.

gave me a certificate stating that I ought to go abroad for a cure.

When I presented all these credentials in order to get an exit-permit, I was politely told that there were plenty of spas inside Germany.

I could be allowed to leave Germany, I was told, only if I had a contract to make films in a neutral country.

Then the trip would be "in the interests of the State." The money I earned abroad could be used by the Reichsbank, which desperately needed foreign currency. It would be a patriotic undertaking.

I went away and pulled more strings, finally obtaining an offer from an Italian film company to make a picture in Rome.

I said goodbye to my Berlin flat, looked wistfully at the handsome total in my bank-book, gave a last thought to my bungalow on the Fankler Lake in Carinthia. All these possessions, won by years of hard work, I had to leave behind for the Nazis to seize as soon as they learned the truth about me.

On the other hand, I had the satisfaction of knowing that my flight would cost the Nazi propaganda machine four million marks—the price of a bombing squadron. That was the cost of the film I completed just before leaving Berlin. It was the first German colour film. Now Dr. Goebbels will have to scrap it. He cannot have a "renegade" actor starring in his cinemas.

Apart from my midnight scare at the frontier, my journey to Rome was uneventful. As soon as I found a quiet hotel, I dug my Czech passport from its hiding place in one of my trunks, and, armed with it, called at the British Embassy.

I discovered from German friends in Rome that the Gestapo kept a constant watch on the British and French Embassies, and on the offices of Allied firms. All callers were "investigated."

I was followed every day until I received my British visa after being vouched for by good Czech friends in London. On my last evening, I returned to my hotel to find an Italian detective waiting for me. The detective questioned me thoroughly, alternately friendly and threatening, he wanted to know exactly what I was doing in Italy, and when I intended to return to Germany.

"I'm staying in Rome for some time," I lied. "See—I'll hand you my passport so that I cannot leave even if I want to."

I offered him the German passport I hoped I would never need again. He hesitated, but accepted it. I promised to call at the station for it next day.

Within an hour I had packed, checked out at the hotel, and caught a train northwards.

On the way I changed as unobtrusively as I could to a fast train for France. My Czech passport saw me safely over the frontier at Modane, and, more dead than alive by this time, I arrived finally at Calais.

But still one great adventure lay ahead of me. For many months Nazi propaganda had hammered into all Germans details of the terrifying dangers of the voyage to England. Who travels to England travels into death, they told us. The U-boats sink nearly every ship approaching Britain. Mines and bombs get the rest. Neutral seamen mutiny when asked to sail for Britain. So I boarded the Channel boat at Calais with considerable trepidation. I was surprised at the number of my fellow-travellers, and at their nonchalance. I was amazed when, hearing their conversation, I found that they were not all British, but men and women of half a dozen nationalities.

And, out in the Channel, I was again amazed to see that not a single warship was convoying us across the "sea of death."

There were freighters steaming in several directions; apparently undisturbed by U-boats and mines; but not a single warship.

When I landed at Dover, I realised something of the extent to which the German people are being duped by the Nazis. I realised, too, that Britain still rules the waves.

TO-MORROW:  
Air-raid fears in Berlin—trade in British leaflets—Risking prison to hear the B.B.C. broadcasts—A friend in danger.



## Room for More

# The Yanks have a word for it

THE jargon of the American underworld is a mixture of slang, cant and argot used without any conscious adherence to grammatical rules, and is primarily a language of expedience characterised by terseness of phrase and simplicity of description. It is a strange accumulation of words borrowed from every social group in every geographical area of the English-speaking world.

Major contributors to the vocabulary are the tramp, the gunman, the hoodlum, and the bootlegger, although circus troupers, loggers, cattle men and railroad workers have supplied necessary and useful words.

It is almost impossible to locate the actual source of slang or cant after many weeks have elapsed, since the language is seldom written, and new words may be current in isolated groups long before they find wide acceptance and notice.

The place is bugged so Micky and Deeno case the ins while Jerry rangers. The skipper's greased so the play is safe. The saps trip a bug and the dinger blows so Jerry mopes—no heat for him! The cops tried to swamp them and they're fogged on the breeze. It was curtains for Deeno. Micky pulled through and drew a 1 to 20 rap.

Literally translated, this means: The place is equipped with a burglar alarm, so Micky and Deeno study a method of entrance while Jerry remains on the look-out. The district police officer has been bribed, and the accomplishment of their task should not involve danger. The two clumsily set off an alarm, and when the bell rings Jerry leaves; no trouble with the police for him! The police tried to surround and arrest Micky and Deeno, and shot them when they tried to escape. Deeno was killed, but Micky escaped and was convicted, with an indeterminate sentence of from one to twenty years in prison.

## THE THIRD DEGREE

In such an example the language is relatively casual and intelligible. In the heat of action, words replace sentences and signals are cut and concise. A description of a stick-up or hold-up as related by a gunman is less easy to understand. "Hit and glom—rank and lam: half a C."

tells the complete story. He says: "I held him up and robbed him—was discovered and had to run, but I got fifty dollars."

A criminal has almost innumerable words used to describe the act of leaving; to take it on the lam, to scam, to screw, to blow, to mope, and to breeze—to mention a few. The show-up, where suspects are displayed and paraded for identification by victims, is the stage, or Hollywood, from the brilliant spotlights and raised platform. When one is pointed out by a victim he is said to get the finger, and if he is not guilty, to get a bum finger.

The word cop in one sense originally meant to steal, but has more recently come to mean get or procure, as in such phrases as cop a plea (plead guilty), cop a mope (make a get-away), and cop an out (procure an alibi).

The police car used to transport prisoners within city boundaries is known as a paddy wagon (from the typical Irish-American policeman) or the Black Maria.

Many words have been provided to eliminate the necessity for calling a policeman by that prosaic name. A few of them are cop, bull or harness bull (uniformed officer), shamus (from the Hebrew), buttons, jazz, and skipper (district captain). A police detective is a nose, slim, a snop, a tail, a shagger, a soft heel, an eye, an elbow (from their method of making headway through a crowd), dick, or if particularly noted for a receptive memory for faces, a camera eye.

## "TAKE IT ON THE HAM"

Intimidation and beating of a criminal in an effort to obtain a confession or information is well known to the American public as the third degree. To the criminal it is the kick, a jacking (from black-jack), a hoing (from soft rubber hose used to prevent bruising), Concy Island (from the queer methods of eliciting information), and the more obvious phrase, a police storm.

The criminal injects a note of humour into many of his cant words. A look-out, for instance, is a gander; anything or anyone sought after by the police is hot (hot-car, hot-money, etc.); a lawyer is a mouthpiece or lip; a reformatory is a school or Turn to Page 2, Fourth Column

## FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"I told the chef what you said, sir!"



BURMA ROAD

# AGREEMENT OPERATING HIGHWAY TO BE CLOSED TO-DAY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, July 17 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Anglo-Japanese agreement closing the Burma Road, has been signed at Tokyo.

It is authoritatively stated that the agreement between the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, and the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, provides that during the three months ending October 10, Japan will attempt to reach a general peace settlement with China.

British quarters reaffirm Britain's readiness to offer its good offices provided Tokyo and Chungking desire that arrangement.

Chinese circles compare the British action to the position which would arise if the United States prevented war materials reaching Britain and then offered to promote Anglo-German peace talks.

British commentators declare the comparison as being irrelevant because the United States is not engaged in a life and death struggle in the west.

Lord Cecil Urges Caution  
LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—Speaking in the House of Lords to-day about the Burma Road agreement, Lord Cecil said he had no desire to embarrass the Government at the present time, but he could not conceal from them that these negotiations had caused anxiety in considerable sections of the public.

The change of Government in Japan had not diminished their anxiety in any way.

Lord Cecil drew attention to one broad statement that there was some idea of using the influence of this country to produce peace between China and Japan.

He asked the Government to be very cautious in proceeding on these lines.

Discussing the closing of the Burma Road, Lord Cecil said he hoped the Government would be extremely careful before they committed themselves in any way to something which appeared to be like assisting Japan against China.

## Immense Seriousness

"All recognize the immense seriousness of the position. I am not anxious that we should do nothing to hinder the Government in taking whatever steps they think will really diminish the gravity of the situation," declared Lord Cecil.

"But I would beg them to consider whether a policy of concessions to Japan, apparently under threats, is likely to diminish the gravity. We have got to consider, not only the material and immediate results of any action or non-action we may take, but the ultimate results upon which victory in this war will depend."

Replying, Lord Halifax said that he could not enter into a debate with Lord Cecil on this occasion, but "I should be sorry if he or any of your lordships should think that any of the grave matters to which he refers have been absent from the mind of His Majesty's Government."

"For the rest, I hope the House will see well to await a fuller statement which I hope to be able to make."

## Chungking Interest

CHUNGKING, July 18 (Reuters).—Interest in Chinese circles continues to centre on the negotiations between Britain and Japan.

Newspapers gave prominence, to statements by General Chiang Kai-shek and the Foreign Office, but reports on them in London, Singapore and Tokyo were not published.

Chinese papers were very bitter in their leading articles.

The "Ta Kung Pao" states that "despite British appeasement, the Yonal Cabinet was unable to satisfy the demands of the Japanese Army," thereby causing a "British Far Eastern Munich."

At the same time the paper forecasts the spread of the European war to the Pacific.

# Nazis Would Like Meal As Good As This

By EDWARD BEATTIE  
UNITED PRESS STAFF  
CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, July 17 (UP).—I've just had dinner.

While I was eating, a German announcer was broadcasting from a Dutch station.

Britain, he said, is in a deplorable condition. The food situation is going from bad to worse. Half the people are starving.

## Here's The Menu

Oh, yes, here's the menu I've just gone through:  
Steamed Salmon  
Tomato Soup  
Fried Sole with Tartar Sauce  
Saddle of Lamb with Roast Potatoes  
Cauliflower  
Mornay and Fruit Salad.

# MARTINIQUE SETTLEMENT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
FORT DE FRANCE, July 17 (UP).—Well-informed quarters here confirm that efforts are being made to settle the Martinique question peacefully.

There are no details of the negotiations available here as they are being conducted in Washington.



# ITALIANS BOAST OF KENYA SUCCESS

By ELEANOR PACKARD  
"UNITED PRESS" STAFF CORRESPONDENT

ROME, July 17 (UP).—Italian military circles believe that the British withdrawal from the fortress at Moyale, in northern Kenya, as being of great strategic importance, giving the Italians possession of the fulcrum of the British defence of northern Kenya.

Moyale fort is on the site of the old Fort Harrington, midway between Italian Somaliland and Lake Rudolf on the Kenya-Abyssinian frontier. It is due south of El Golecho in Abyssinia.

According to Italian military observers, Moyale is the chief and strongest fortification in the whole defensive system along the northern frontier province of Kenya.

The Italians state that it was manned by the King's African Rifles, who are considered to be the best troops in Kenya.

Moyale's importance is due to the fact that it is the terminus of the longest and best-conditioned highway in Kenya. This highway, 510 miles long, leads to Nairobi, the Kenya capital.

# Preference For B.B.C.

Commons Clamours On Behalf Of Press

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—More questions suggesting that the B.B.C. were being given priority over the Press were put to Mr. A. Duff Cooper, the Minister of Information, in the House of Commons to-day.

The Minister was asked by Sir Archibald Southby (Conservative) if it was his established policy to give the B.B.C. priority over newspapers in the dissemination of official announcements.

Mr. Duff Cooper replied that official announcements are issued to the Press and the B.B.C. simultaneously through the news division of the Ministry.

## Pointed Questions

Sir Archibald Southby: Is the Minister aware that in the case of the Arandora Star, a full account of this was in the hands of the Press by 1 p.m. B.S.T. on the day the ship was sunk and that although the reports were laid before the censor, the decision to allow publication was delayed until 9 a.m. B.S.T. was the first intimation to the public of what had happened?

Mr. Duff Cooper: I will look into that particular case.

Sir Archibald Southby then asked why the first public intimation regarding the action against the French naval forces at Oran was in the short wave broadcast of the B.B.C. and in certain American newspapers, whereas the correspondents of the Dominions and other American newspapers were prevented by the censor from releasing this news until later.

Mr. Duff Cooper said the first public intimation regarding the action against the French naval force at Oran was given in an official communiqué which was issued simultaneously to the Press and the B.B.C. at 3.30 a.m. B.S.T. on July 4.

No correspondents were prevented by the censor from enlisting the news contained in this communiqué, which was reproduced in many newspapers and given out by the B.B.C. in a short wave news bulletin at 3.45 a.m. B.S.T. and in subsequent bulletins.

## BBC Advantage Denied

Sir Archibald Southby: Can the Minister assure the House that no special consideration was given to certain of United States papers to the detriment of other United States papers?

Mr. Duff Cooper: Before it was decided that only the official communiqué should go out, one American Press correspondent had telegraphed to his paper a fuller account of the battle than was afterwards allowed to go out.

Sir Archibald Southby: Isn't it very unsatisfactory that should be so, and isn't the B.B.C. having a much better deal from the Ministry of Information than the Press are?

Mr. Duff Cooper: I don't think that in this particular case the B.B.C. had any particular advantage.

# GERMANY'S FUTILE BLOCKADE

PRETORIA, July 17 (Reuters).—The great and smooth flow of shipping round the coast of South Africa was proof that the allegation of Nazi propagandists that Germany was hampering the Empire's trade was a delusion, declared Mr. Sturrock, Minister of Railways and Harbours, in a statement to "Reuters."

"So far as we can see from this end," Germany's much vaunted blockade of the Commonwealth is nothing but a futile and pitiful lie intended to bolster German morale."

Mr. Sturrock quoted South African trade figures showing that the tonnage handled in South African ports had increased under every head as a "striking result of the closing of the Mediterranean to shipping."

# Egypt To Be Fully Armed

Reassuring Statement By Minister

CAIRO, July 17 (Reuters).—"It is the Government's intention not only to maintain the present standard of arms and equipment of the Egyptian Army, but to increase its strength both in numbers and equipment until it reaches the desired standard," declared Mahmud Fahmy el Khalisi, the Minister of Defence, in the Chamber of Deputies to-day.

Referring to the previous announcement that suggestions were under consideration to the effect that the British Government should take back certain war material loaned to the Egyptian Army and purchase other war material belonging to the Egyptian Army, the Government now announced that the Army was maintaining and would maintain its full complement of war materials, including that borrowed from the British Government.

# D.S.C. Hero Dies

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—Lieut. Commr. Russell Gordon-Smith who a fortnight ago received the Distinguished Service Cross from the hands of the King, has died following an operation in a south coast hospital.

Lieut. Commr. Gordon-Smith was navigating officer in H.M.S. Hardy and was badly wounded while standing beside Captain Warburton-Lee, who was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross.

# Surprise Move By Lloyds

Portugal-America War Risk Rates Up

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, July 17 (UP).—Lloyds Underwriters have suddenly raised war risk rates for cargoes under the Portuguese flag between Portugal and North and South America.

The new rate is five per cent., compared with the previous rate of three per cent.

No explanation is given for this increase.

BUCHAREST, July 17 (UP).—A report from Gela states that an explosion destroyed the electric power plant there. Five are known to be dead and many are injured.

# Yugo-Slav Government In Pillory

Nazis Resenting Pro-French Sympathies

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—The German press is now attacking the Yugo-Slav Government for permitting officers of the State army to take part in a memorial service at the French soldiers' cemetery at Belgrade, at which, it is alleged, they offered condolences to the French Minister over France's national sorrow.

The "Berliner Borsenzeitung" for instance accuses the French Minister of being a secret admirer of General de Gaulle, leader of all Free Frenchmen.

## Petty Accusations

This year, says the paper, the Bastille Day celebrations were held for the first time at the cemetery instead of at the Embassy. This gave the Minister the opportunity of meeting many Yugo-Slav officers who are anti-German and allowing them to make ostentatious expressions of sympathy.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" says that high Yugo-Slav officers including the Secretary of State at the War Ministry, the Commander-in-Chief of the Belgrade Garrison and the Chief of General Staff took part.

Berlin circles accuse the Yugo-Slav authorities of allowing Slovaks to distribute pamphlets about the brutal behaviour of the German soldiers and Gestapo in Poland.

# Roosevelt's Popularity

Nomination Appears Inevitable

CHICAGO, July 17 (Reuters).—A "Draft Roosevelt" sentiment swept through the Democratic Convention to-day with a fierceness which threatened to smother any opposition to a third term and to leave unanswered the question of how Mr. Roosevelt will be nominated.

As confident as if President Roosevelt himself had said he would accept, Mr. Harry Hopkins, Secretary of Commerce, and other third term advocates are mapping out their strategy for making President Roosevelt the 1940 choice.

## Leaders Confident

New Deal leaders are confidently predicting that President Roosevelt will accept, and some are even hinting that he will address the Convention by telephone from the White House.

It has been decided to hold the nominations to-night instead of tomorrow as originally arranged.

# Another Slap For Nazis

Blockade Protest Rejected By U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 17 (Reuters).—Mr. Cordell Hull, at a Press conference to-day, rejected the German contentions that the United States should protest against the British blockade of Germany on the same grounds as they opposed the closing of the Burma Road.

Commenting on the German reaction to his statement yesterday regarding the Burma Road, Mr. Cordell Hull said there was no parallel between this situation and the British blockade.

The Difference  
Nations at war had the right, under International Law, to intercept the commerce of belligerents and neutrals.

In the case of a privately-owned highway running through a nation not at war, an entirely different rule prevailed.

Other Department officials said that since a state of war did not exist between Japan and China, Japan could not claim the same right of blockade as possessed by the European belligerents.

# QUIET DAY IN THE AIR

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that throughout yesterday Coastal Command aircraft carried out their usual reconnaissance over a wide area, from Scandinavia to the Bay of Biscay.

Owing to adverse weather conditions, our bomber forces did not operate last night.

# Bigger Home Guard For Australia

LONDON, July 17 (Reuters).—The strength of the army guard in Australia is being raised to 250,000 men, announces Brigadier Street, Minister for the Army.

This will be done by calling up four more age groups and a further voluntary enlistment of 30,000. The total addition will be 120,000 men.

# DRAMATIC DEMAND

New Turn In Chicago Convention

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CHICAGO, July 17 (UP).—

The Democratic Convention was suddenly confronted with a demand to-day that it incorporate in the Democratic platform a clear-cut declaration that the United States will extend to Britain, and to other nations resisting aggression, full material aid short of American manpower.

The resolution was moved by Senator Claude Pepper.

This will delay the final vote on the 1940 platform, which was to have been presented by the Resolutions Committee to-night.

## Willkie's Promise

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
COLORADO SPRINGS, July 17 (UP).—Mr. Wendell Willkie, the Republican presidential nominee, said to-day that he hoped to conduct a "crusade against the Democrats."

"But I'll retaliate if my opponents launch a 'smear campaign' against me," he said.

## Outvoted 4 to 1

CHICAGO, July 17 (Reuters).—A platform committee said that Senator Claude Pepper's supporters were outvoted by four to one in trying to commit the party to give full aid to Britain short of war and to denounce any attempt at appeasing the dictators.

The committee said that much of the objection arose from the fact that Senator Pepper's proposals required too specific pledges like guaranteeing to defend the French.

# "PROPER RASCAL" IN COURT

Man Who Stole From His Sister

That he was a proper rascal in the Hingham district and was prone to assault his parents when he failed to obtain money from them, was how Lin Timesing, 24, was described before Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court to-day when he was charged with theft of a pair of silk trousers from his sister.

Sub-Inspector Madgewick stated that the girl had missed articles of clothing and had reported this to the Police. Yesterday she saw her brother, the defendant, leaving their home with the trousers, and she suspected that he was responsible for the previous losses. She had him arrested and he admitted the theft.

After saying that Lin was a proper rascal, Sub-Inspector Madgewick added that it is believed Lin also attempted to obtain money from his sister.

Lin was remanded for 24 hours for finger print purposes.

# COLONY'S TUNG OIL EXPORTS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, July 17 (UP).—

The importance to the United States of the China routes through Burma and Hongkong is indicated in a Department of Commerce report that during the month of May, Hongkong exported almost 2,000,000 lbs. of tung oil.

Of this total, 1,000,000 lbs. went to the United States and 240,000 lbs. to Europe.

No statistics are available regarding commerce over the Burma Road.

# MADRID AND CHILE

MADRID, July 17 (Reuters).—Explaining the breaking off of diplomatic relations with Chile, an official note says that the Chilean Popular Front Government had not ceased to protect and aid the Reds who fled from Spain.

This attitude reached intolerable limits, culminating in a large public meeting on June 17 when speakers insulted Spain and General Franco, their speeches being broadcast by the official radio.

## THE WAR FUND

Considerable Additions Raise Total Further

Substantial additions to the S. C. M. Post War Fund yesterday raised the totals to \$1,245,656.00 and £2,830.10s. 8d.

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Mr. Tong Yik Tong 10  
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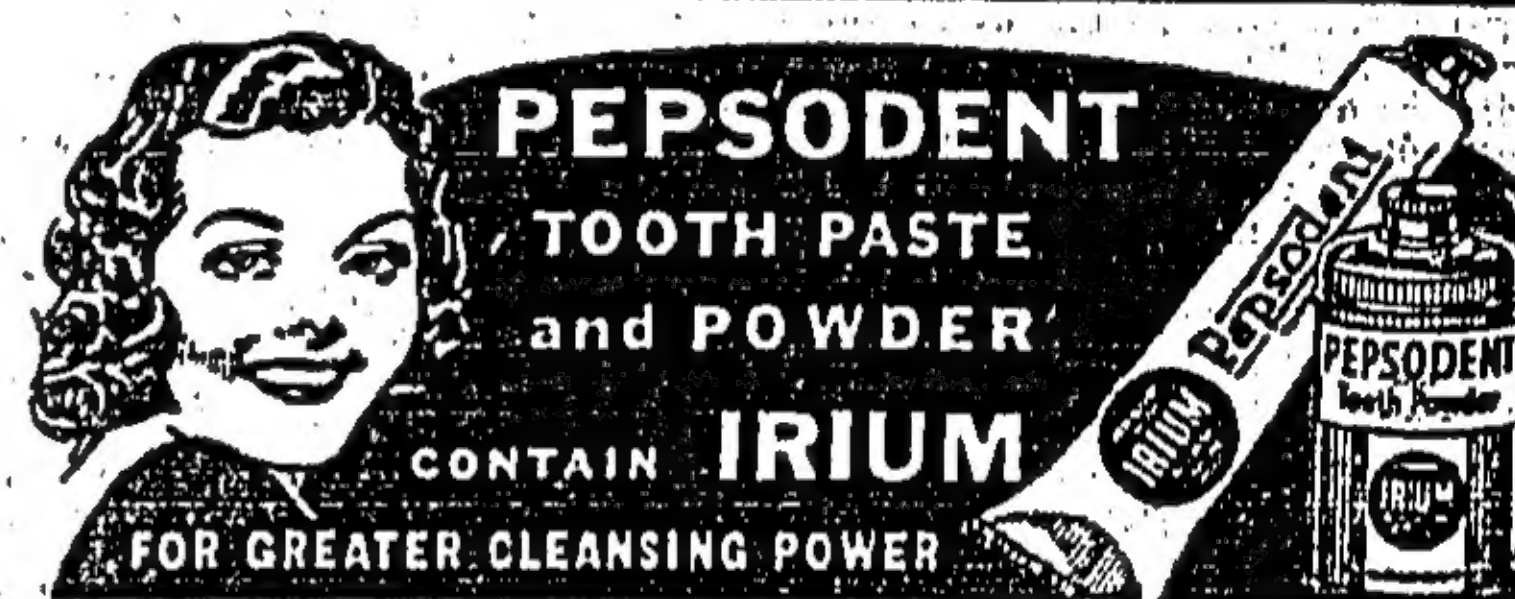
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# CHING WING UNION LACK LONG DISTANCE SWIMMERS

## Six More Open Pairs Results

### Alves And Ribeiro Enter Third Round

Four more matches in the Second Round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Champion were decided yesterday, the three matches at Happy Valley providing very close finishes.

H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, holders, won through to the Third Round at the expense of J. S. Riddell and J. C. Aiken whom they beat 20-21 after a ding-dong struggle. The Portuguese pair were very solid throughout and unruffled when being led 18-10 on the 17th end. The next head, a short one, proved disastrous for the Police pair, who were seven shots down, Alves laying his first three woods close to the jack while Ribeiro completed the great work. They never looked back from this stage.

Landolt and Bana, Craigengower veterans, were fully extended all the way by Jackie Noronha and C. G. Silva, but won 10-17. Noronha and Silva drew level at the 10th end with the scores at 10-10, but a three on the 20th head gave the Craigengower pair a jumping off place and they won after conceding a single shot on the last head. Silva was at the top of his form and drew beautifully onto the jack, although in the closing stages he narrowly missed on several occasions when a drive was called for.

On the Police green J. Gallahue and L. A. Collier, of Civil Service, beat E. A. Atkins and H. White, of Bowling Green, 19-17. There was never much in the match and the lead changed hands several times.

Two matches were decided on the Kowloon Football Club green where A. K. Safford and M. R. Abbas, of Indian R.C., beat H. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom 23-15, and F. Jones and A. W. Grimault, of Civil Service, beat A. E. H. Castro and V. Allenza, of Kowloon Tong, 10-17.

Safford and Abbas led for most of the match although a two on the 10th end gave Williamson and Thom the lead for the first time at 15-13. The Indian R.C. pair, however, emerged comfortable winners, scoring 4, 1, 1, 2, 2, on the next five heads.

A. Steven and S. Ecclesall caused an upset when they beat J. C. Gill and Adam Holland 28-21 on the Tai-koo green yesterday.

## Bowls Teams For Saturday

### CLUB DE RECREIO

"A" v. Kowloon B.C.C. (home).  
E. J. Silva, F. X. Soares, F. Luz and H. A. Alves.  
"B" v. Kowloon B.C.C. (away).  
L. P. Xavier, C. M. Silva, F. V. Ribeiro and F. X. Soares.  
"C" v. Kowloon B.C.C. (home).  
J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, J. F. Ribeiro and C. O. Silva.  
"D" v. Craigengower (home).  
D. C. Alves, A. M. Rodrigues, C. Rosa Pereira and H. Basso.  
"E" v. Craigengower (away).  
F. A. Machado, C. H. Basso, A. P. Gutierrez and J. J. Basso.  
"F" v. Craigengower (home).  
A. P. Pereira, C. A. Lopes, J. C. Remedios and J. E. Noronha.  
"G" v. Craigengower (away).  
M. F. Alencar, A. F. Noronha, C. C. Pereira and C. P. Remedios.  
"H" v. Craigengower (home).  
F. M. N. Silva, J. A. Remedios, C. M. S. Alves and P. Yanevich.  
"I" v. Craigengower (away).  
A. J. Omand, C. F. Vas, A. M. Xavier and E. Sousa.



Ching Wing Swimming Gallery

Mr. Law Yuk-wing (coach), and the Misses Chan Woon-king (freestyle champion) and Chan Yuk-king (breaststroke champion).



## Greater Confidence Placed In Their Sprinters

IT CAME as a great surprise when enquiries revealed that the Ching Wing Union have no particular swimmers to represent them in the middle and long distances. They have several youngsters in the course of being trained, and show great promise so much so that Mr. Law Yuk-wing, coach, thinks they will shortly make a name for the Union.

Take the excellent example of 13-year-old Ching Man-huen, who swam the 440 yards in last Saturday's gala at the European Y.M.C.A. pool. Had May tried, he could have assuredly beaten young Ching by a much greater margin, but that does not minimise the splendid effort of Ching, who swam this race for the first time. He wishes to be a sprinter, and seldom has he swum over 200 yards, the distance prescribed by Law for the sprinters.

Chan Kwok-kwan, another youngster, also has not swum this distance before. Beyond his daily 200 yards to give him stamina for the sprints, he has never swum in practice, least of all in a race, longer distances. He is also to be commended on a splendid performance.

At variance to its sister union, the Lal Tsun Union, Ching Wing is noted for male sprinters and female distance swimmers. Perhaps the most famous of them are the Chan sisters, the Misses Chan Woon-king and Chan Yuk-king, and Miss Ip Choi-man.

### WOMEN CHAMPIONS

WOON-KING is more versatile, though less famous, than her sister. She swims both short and long distances, and has won the 50 and 400 metres freestyle titles at the 1938 Kwangtung Provincial meet held in Canton. Yuk-king, essentially a breaststroker, was a national champion at the age of 15 years. She "copped" the 200 metres breaststroke title at the 6th National meet held in Shanghai in 1935.

These two well-known girl swimmers have placed themselves under the coaching of Law, and although they have been out of the competition for some time, are fast picking up lost threads, and promise to surpass their former brilliant performances.

### BUDDING CHAMPIONS

DEMURE Miss Ip Choi-man is far from being demure where swimming is concerned. She reveals in water, fresh or salt, but she is awfully serious when it comes to training. She does her daily dozen with the boys, and often beats most of them.

Miss Lee Chick-wah is another budding star who assimilates everything Law tells her, and on whom the Ching Wing Union is pinning their hopes this year. She has a fast, slapping arm action, and nice synchronising leg beat, which take her the distance at a fast pace. She has not attempted the middle distances as yet; Law wants her to join his small force of lady sprinters.

Fung Kwai-sang, a fast-rising youngster, was initiated into competitive swimming at the European "Y" gala on Saturday, and came second to his "master", Law Yuk-wing, in the 50 yards freestyle sprint. He possesses a fine, clean, long-armed stroke, but has not sufficient

## Manila's Sports Offer To H.K. Children

The following is an extract from the "Manila Bulletin":

"The Perez Field adjoining San Marcelino and Isaac Peral has been thrown open to Hongkong visitors and their children by the Nomad Sports Club."

"Football, volley balls, basket balls, cricket balls, baseballs (hard and soft), rubber balls, tennis balls and hockey balls have already been donated, but more are still required together with the appropriate bats, sticks, racquets and equipment, so that all the children, including those in Manila, Fort McKinley and Baguio may have every opportunity for exercise."

"If the clerk of the weather does not relent, water polo balls may also be acceptable. Readers are asked to send any sports equipment they can spare to the Manila Club to enable the Nomad Sports Club to collect it and arrange for its distribution."

strength, as yet, to benefit fully by the long-arm pull. He is not satisfied with the 50 yards only, but would like to try the 100, and maybe the 220 yards as well.

A YOUNGSTER who has attracted very little notice so far, but who will spring probably the greatest surprise this season is G. Saunders, who swam a splendid race for the "Y" in the 200 yards relay.

His first lap was terrific, and he was fully expected to overtake Ching Wing's second man on the home stretch. But, on reaching the end of the first lap, he pulled himself up, turned round, and placed rapidly over the entire field before pushing off, losing, thereby, at least two seconds. Taken in hand, and taught the tricks of starting, the art of the sprint dive and push off, Saunders should prove the season's sensational "find".

## Lawn Bowls Lottery In Aid Of B.W.O.F. Draw Every Friday

IN RESPONSE to suggestions that Colony sports Clubs could help British War Funds, the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association has instituted a lottery based on the results of the League matches each week in aid of the B.W.O.F. The draw for the first of these sweeps will take place to-morrow, and subsequent draws will be made each Friday.

In principle, the sweep is based on that of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

There are fourteen matches each week, and prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third biggest marginal defeats. The sweep is confined to members of Club affiliated to the Lawn Bowls Association, and to each of these Clubs a certain number of tickets is allotted each week. These numbers, of course, depend upon the demands of the respective Clubs, but in each case they must be underwritten by the Clubs.

1-250, for instance, may go to the Kowloon Cricket Club. The tickets are \$1 each, and in this case the K.C.C. would have to underwrite for \$250. Members may only take up 250 of the numbers, in which case the Club would bear responsibility for the remaining 20. What happens to them is a matter for adjustment within that Club. Should the Club

"carry" the balance, and one of those numbers strike a prize, the prize would naturally go to the Club funds.

FOURTEEN "STARTERS" The fourteen matches would, as it were, be considered "starters", and fourteen numbers would draw them. Whichever of these numbers has the match that shows the biggest marginal defeat wins first prize.

There will be nothing for drawers of "starters". One condition laid down is that at least four matches in the whole League must be played, otherwise the sweep funds would be carried over to the next week.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor has been appointed Hon. Treasurer of the Sweep.

The possibilities of a sweep of this sort are unlimited when one considers what would be the following when applied to football during the winter. It should be well patronised by Lawn Bowls Clubs.

Twenty-five per cent of the whole takings will be devoted towards the War Fund.

## Water Polo Victory For Chung Sing

(By "Rip")

Chung Sing Bathing Club's water polo team had their pound of flesh, and more, when they trounced Eastern by five goals to one, after being on level terms at the end of the first half, in a return match at Kennedy Town yesterday evening.

Eastern was the faster team, but were overshadowed in positioning, for which Chung Sing excelled.

Eastern attacked within the first few minutes, but Che Chik-wan was unsuccessful. The ball was quickly transferred to the Eastern area by Ng Nin, who outwam Shok Kam-pul to beat Woo Cho-kin with a clever shot bouncing the ball twice before scoring.

Within a few seconds of their scoring Shui Hung-yui received a nice pass from Tommy Kew to equalise with a lovely backhand shot taken from several yards out. Both goals went through several close shaves without, however, affecting the score.

In the second half Eastern appeared to go all to pieces, Ng Nin and Chan Shok-pul having practically clear swims to the goalmouth, which was bombarded incessantly. Cheung Chi-heung gave Chan several nice passes, three of which he made no mistake in converting from close in, while the final goal came from Ng Nin.

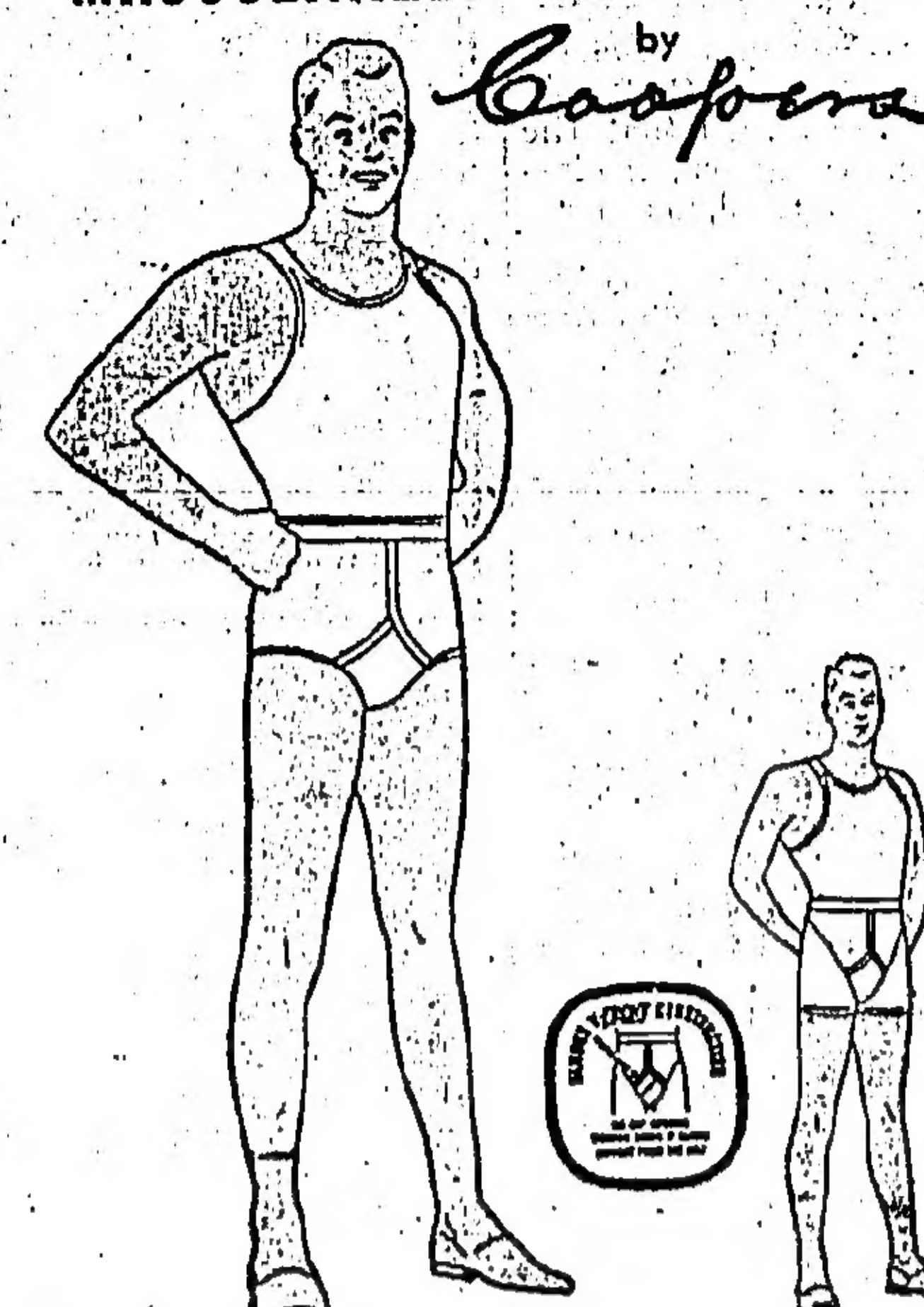


Time And Tide

Here come The Twins at last, unpunctual and charming as ever. Too late to offer them tea, of course, with the hands of the cabin chronometer standing at an unpunctual six-fifteen. And so the visit will develop once again into an informal cocktail party — as The Twins have quite possibly foreseen. Luckily there is still a shot or a tail bottle of Rose's Lime Juice in a

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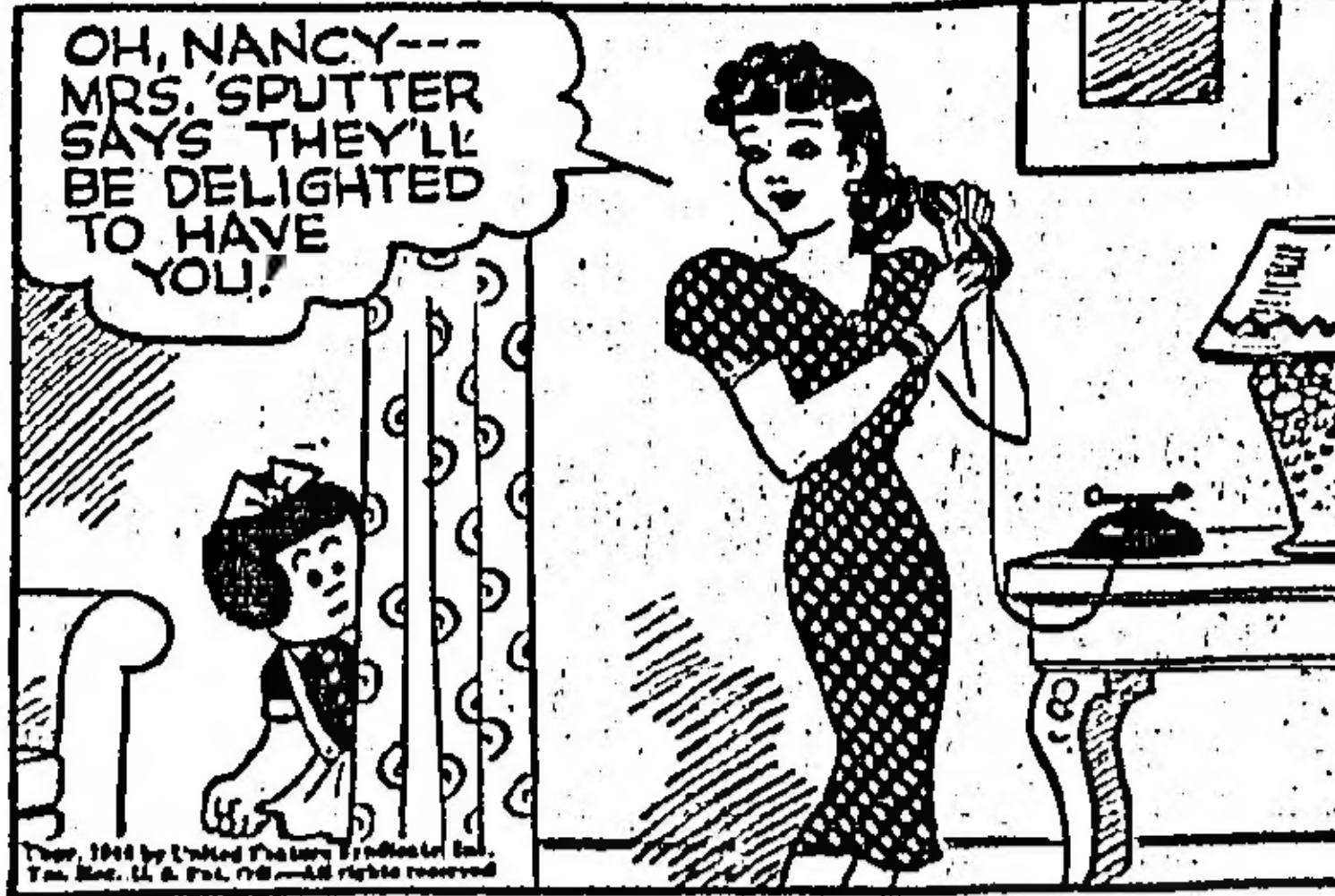
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## FIGHTING FOR KING & COUNTRY

What The Phrase Means To-Day

OTTAWA, July 17 (Reuter).—"When we say we are fighting for King and Country, that is not a mere empty phrase," the Earl of Athlone, the new Governor-General of Canada told members of the Canadian Club to-day.

"It means we are fighting to keep intact the keystone of the arch around which the nation's sense and continuous living force revolves—the very heart of our national existence," added the Earl of Athlone.

"Who will deny that such a cause is righteous?"

The King's Lead

Recalling his last few weeks in England, during which time he talked with His Majesty almost every day, the Earl of Athlone described how the King was carrying on his war duties, visiting the fighting forces, factories and shipyards, and keeping up the spirits of the men, besides conducting the strenuous affairs of the State.

"This personal interest and encouragement from the King himself cannot fail to bring home to the great army of brothers from every continent in the world, that from the King to the humblest workers, no effort and no fatigue is being spared to bring final success, which has the support of almost every man and woman in all quarters of the globe, if it would dare to confess it."

The Earl of Athlone added that no one realised more than His Majesty the seriousness of the situation and the necessity for unity to carry through this "righteous fight against Nazi despotism and to exterminate it once and for all time."

## U.S. PILOTS FOR R.A.F.

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is learned that American pilots will be welcomed as volunteers in the R.A.F. in the Dominion of Colonial Air Forces or the Fleet Air Arm.

There is every reason to believe that hundreds of experienced pilots will gladly join.

There is no question at present of raising purely American squadrons, but the gradual formation of American flights and eventually squadrons is a future possibility.

Position Explained

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Many American citizens have shown their sympathy for Britain by trying to enlist in the R.A.F. This is greatly appreciated, but it is pointed out that such applications can only be accepted if they are made on British territory. It is contrary to American law for any offer of service to be accepted except on British soil.

It must also be made clear that Britain cannot ask United States citizens to join the British armed forces.

No Loss Of Citizenship

WASHINGTON, July 17 (Reuter).—The Department of Justice announced to-day that United States citizens in Britain need not fear loss of citizenship by enlisting in the R.A.F., as they do not take an oath of citizenship to a foreign power.

## U.S. MINISTER TO AUSTRALIA

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The first United States Minister to Australia, Mr. Clarence Gauss, formerly U.S. Consul-General in Shanghai, yesterday presented his credentials to the Governor-General.

In a statement, Mr. Menzies the Australian Prime Minister said that the Australian people regarded the arrival of Mr. Gauss as an event of profound importance. They hoped he would play an important part in making the Pacific a region in which nations might trade peacefully.

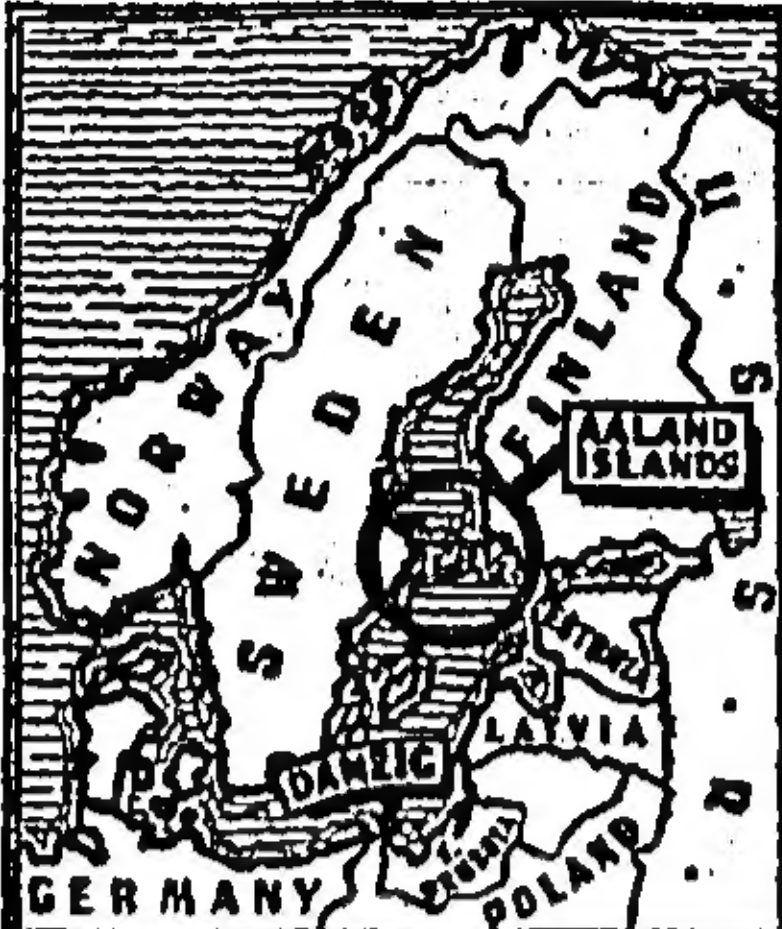
In this Mr. Gauss would have Australia's most active support.

## Contraband Control's Busy Fortnight

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively learned that the British Contraband Control seized about 10,000 tons of goods suspected for enemy destinations in the period from July 7 to the 15th.

In addition, during the period from July 1 to 15, approximately 9,000 tons of goods were seized from Italian ships.

Altogether the British Contraband Control has seized 700,000 tons of contraband since the start of the war.



SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, July 17 (UP).—Authoritative circles to-day confirm that the Finnish Government has accepted the Russian demands to demilitarise the Aaland Islands.

Evacuation of the island's soldiers and war materials commenced early this month and is now nearing completion.

## AIR RAIDS ON COAST

Nazis Cause Damage And Casualties

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that bombs were dropped by enemy aircraft during the day at a few points in south-east England and also near a town in Scotland.

These caused some casualties. Some damage was also caused to houses, four of which were wrecked.

Two Raids In Four Hours

Enemy aircraft to-day made two raids on one area in south-west England within a space of four hours.

In the first attack two heavy bombs were dropped, and a few bombs dropped on unoccupied ground, doing no damage.

The raiders were met by heavy gunfire and were finally driven off by fighters.

No bombs were dropped in the second raid and the raiders were again driven off by British fighters.

## Breach Of Neutrality Swedish Behaviour Resented

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Further reference to the British Government's protest against the Swedish Government's decision to allow German troops and war material to cross Swedish territory was made at question time in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Geoffrey Mander asked whether the Swedish action was not in direct violation of the Hague Convention of 1907 and what action the British Government proposed to take.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said they had already indicated their view to the Swedish Government that this constituted a serious breach of neutrality.

An inaudible answer was given when the Under-Secretary was asked if the Government intended to press the matter.

## SOMALILAND RAID

CAIRO, July 17 (Reuter).—A war communiqué issued this evening states that on July 15 a motor patrol of the Camel Corps raided an enemy post at Damerabab (Somaliland).

After causing casualties and destroying 20,000 rounds of ammunition, the patrol withdrew without loss.

There is nothing of importance to report on other fronts.

GENEVA, July 17 (Reuter).—Thanks to a gift of \$100,000 from the American Red Cross, it is announced that two trains loaded with foodstuffs, particularly milk, left Geneva to-day for non-occupied France and another for occupied France.

## IRELAND'S SCHEME OF DEFENCE

Guarding Against Nazi Invasion

DUBLIN, July 17 (Reuter).—Eire's scheme for defence against an invasion was described to "Reuter's" special correspondent by a high officer of the Irish General Staff.

This officer said that they had an outer observation fringe on the lines of the old Coast Guards. From points commanding a wide view of the sea, a day and night watch is kept and communications have been installed so as to give immediate notice of any suspicious movements.

They also had a sea patrol of various small craft in wireless communication with the shore and with their fast motor torpedo boats.

Thirdly, they had an air patrol which kept a constant watch.

Mobile Army

Eire's army was highly mobile. All infantry was mechanised and in case of danger, the army could be rushed immediately to any threatened points.

The army was having a wonderful response to its appeal for recruits, who came from all classes and were the best types they ever had.

The appeal for local defence volunteers resulted in the enrolment of 120,000.

Every Man A Volunteer

"Reuter's" special correspondent saw in many districts how keen is the enthusiasm of local defence. Almost every man was a volunteer. Some villages and roads are constantly patrolled to guard against parachutists.

The volunteers are being trained and part of them will form a kind of Landstrum to guard communications and vulnerable points if the army itself is engaged.

Railway sleepers can be seen standing at one end in rows in Phelan Park in order to hamper aircraft landings and similar precautions have been taken at other aerodromes.

A German attack on Ireland would meet with great difficulties owing to the mountainous nature of the country.

The I.R.A. are now a negligible force and sympathy for Germany was never less.

Bogs and small fields in central Ireland make air landings risky. Ireland's greatest defence asset, however, is the warlike temperament of her people.

The Irish Army is confident in its troops and its General Staff.

## GANGSTERS AT WORK IN EUROPE

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—Economic circles in London consider that Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, the German financial expert, is behind the "racket" whereby Germany is transferring her shortages to occupied territories.

Germany is paying the countries, but all the people get in exchange is a claim on the reichsmark balance in Berlin.

Thereby Germany's internal situation could be eased and money could only be used to buy goods from Germany. As there is a shortage in Germany, however, the money is worthless.

## PRECAUTION AFTER BABY ARRIVES

Doctors warn mothers to watch their diet after the birth of a child. The right food is of vital importance to the mother and to the child she is feeding.

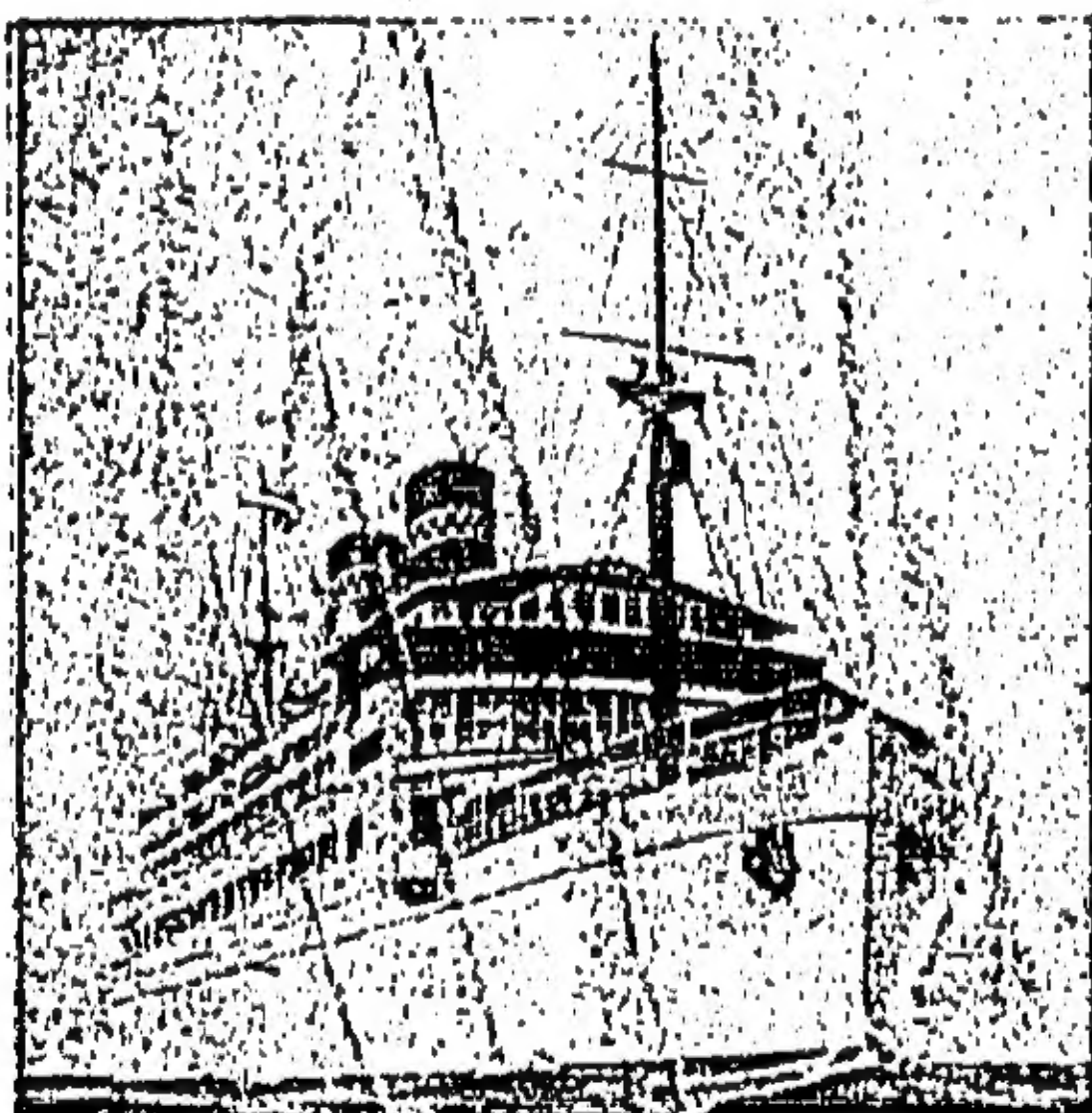
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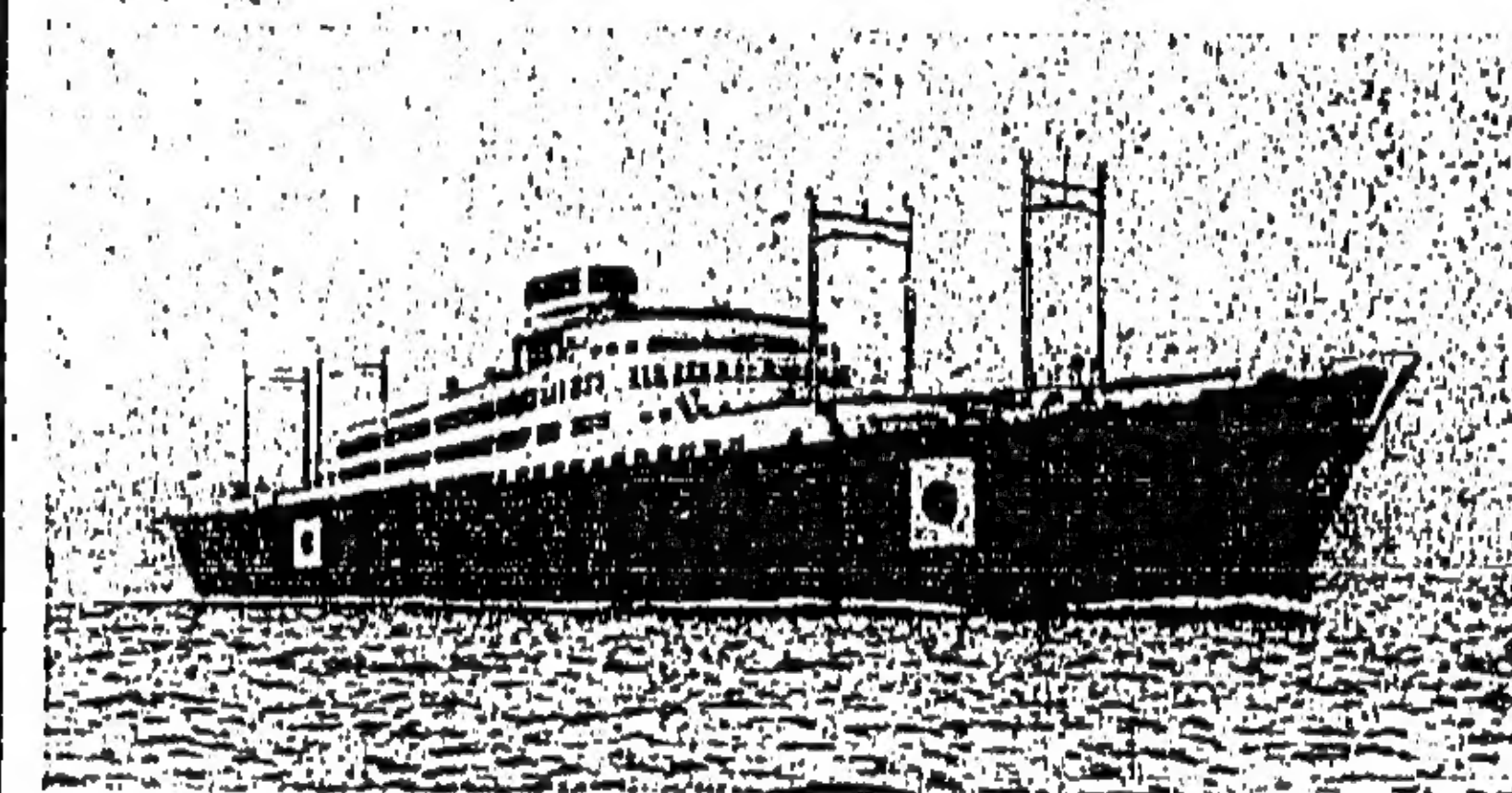
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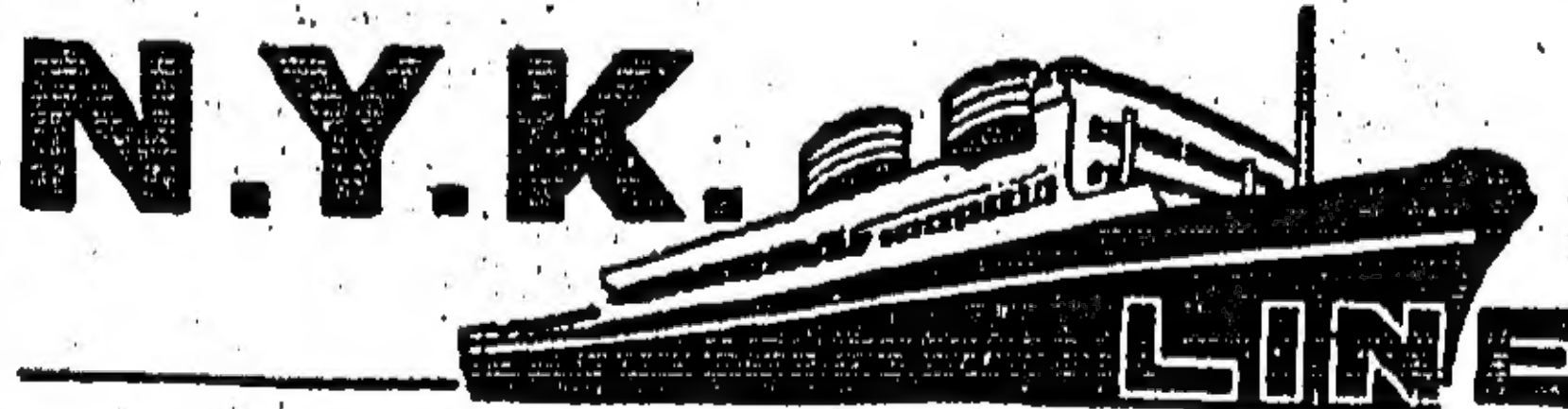
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BUCHAREST, July 17 (Reuter).—It is suggested in local German circles that a meeting of the Reichstag to hear a statement by Hitler may be announced in Berlin tomorrow.

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The people of Ceylon have sent a fourth sum of 100,000 rupees to Britain for the purchase of another fighter. Three similar sums of 100,000 rupees have been sent within the last month.

## FORGED LETTER

Nine Months' Hard Labour For Man

Found guilty on two counts of attempting to obtain money by means of a forged letter, Mak Chi, a youth, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The following comprised the Jury: Messrs. G. Anderson (Foreman), Chan Chi-gong, Cheung Tung-lat, Cheng Chung-choy, C. I. Barr, C. Carr and D. C. S. Alves. Prosecuting, Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, said complainant was Sheng Sal-pun, who lived at 3 Lion Rock Road. Sheng corresponded regularly with his father in Shanghai, and on June 21 he received a letter purporting to be from his parent. The letter asked him to hand \$15 to one Li Kwun-luk, who would call on him in the near future.

Suspicions Correct  
Sheng noticed that whilst the address on the envelope was in the handwriting of his father, the letter itself was written by a different hand. He also found that a piece of paper had been pasted over a portion of the envelope.

Suspecting that the letter was a forgery, Sheng waited for Li to call, and on June 23, Mak turned up, saying he was summoned Li, at the same time asking that the money be handed over. He also produced a letter purporting to be from Sheng's father, telling him to give \$15 to the bearer. Mak maintained that one Li Tak asked him to deliver the letter.

## LATE NEWS

### 5-POWER TALKS?

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—The possibility of a five-power conference on the Far East is suggested by Mr. Vernon Bartlett in the "News Chronicle."

He says that Mr. Cordell Hull's declaration might show the way to a more courageous and more dignified treatment of the problem. Mr. Hull is in a position to know how difficult it would be for Britain to defend the Burma Road by force and without aid.

A diplomatic possibility is that a conference will be called between the interested Powers—Britain, the United States and Russia—and the two belligerents.

Japanese are also aware of Britain's difficulties and there is every reason to expect that the new Government in Tokyo will be more insistent in its claims than its predecessor. The Japanese, however, also know that they are in no position to gain much from an extension of the conflict. They cannot defeat China unless they can obtain supplies from the Western Powers and they know that the Chinese are emphatic that they won't leave any part of China in the possession of Japan. Therefore discussions between the United States, Britain and Russia, who all want to see an independent China, might succeed in finding a settlement, enabling the Japanese to withdraw without loss of face and with some concessions to which Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek could agree.

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### FIRST ITALIAN CASUALTY LIST

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter).—The names of 322 dead and 283 missing appear in the first official list of Italian naval losses, according to the Stefani agency.

### Neon Light Fuses

There was some excitement at the Hongkong Star Ferry wharf at 10 a.m. to-day when a neon light fused and set some woodwork on fire. A wharf attendant used a fire extinguisher and put out the flames.

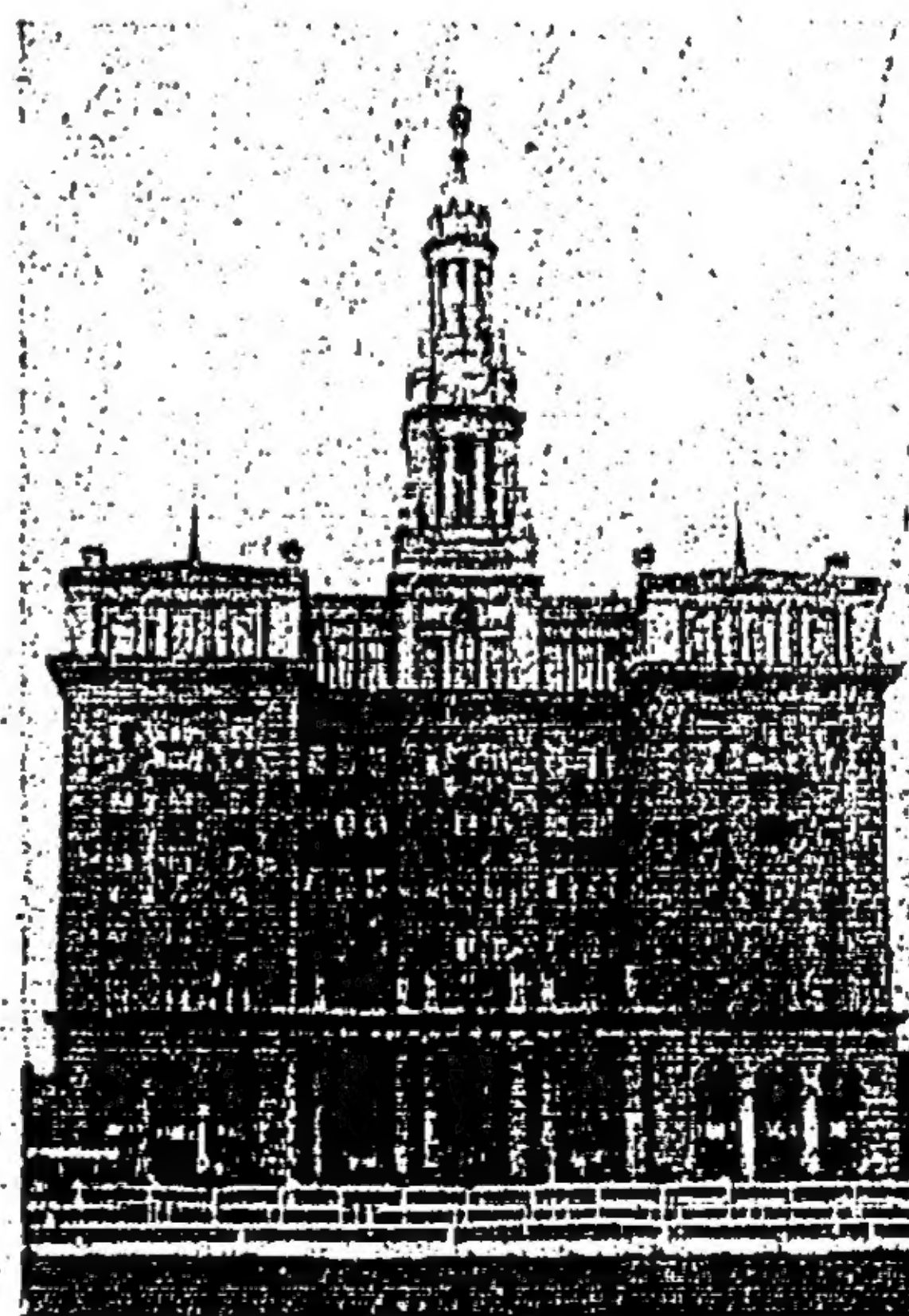
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